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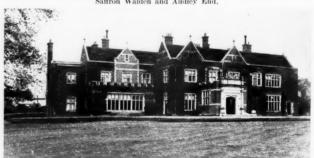
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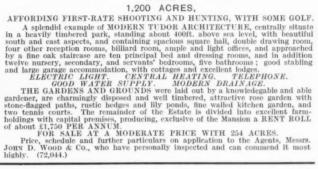
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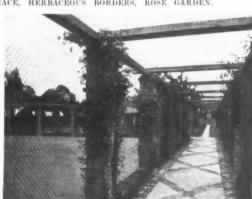


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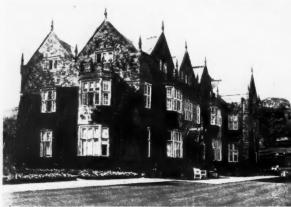
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With vacant possession.

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Occupying a pleasant position over 300ft. up.
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THE DANGSTEIN ESTATE OF SOME 400 ACRES including the FABRIC of "DANGSTEIN HOUSE" for DEMOLITION PURPOSES and SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFULLY SITUATED RESIDENTIAL BUILDING SITES IN THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND. OF FROM TWO ACRES TO 35 ACRES. Standing high up on southern slopes on sandy soil, most magnificently timbered (some being portions of the well-known "Dangstein Grounds"), including cottages, and all commanding glorious panoramic views. Also THE HOME FARM, a most attractive dairying farm of some 102 acres, including a picturesque Georgian Residence, ample buildings, one cottage, accommodation lands, woodland sites, etc.,

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BEAUTIFUL MODERNISED MEDIUM-SIZED GEORGIAN RESIDENCE of dull red brick re-roofed during recent years, replete with all modern conveniences and in beautiful order, approached by a long winding elm avenue drive; vestibule, lounge hall with polished oak floor, library, drawing room, dining room, conservatory, all with E. and S. aspects, complete offices, fifteen bed and dressing rooms (lavatory basins in two dressing rooms and bath in one), three bathrooms.

TELEPHONE. ELECTRIC LIGHT. HEATING. EXCELLENT WATER.
400ft. up on sandy rock subsoil.
Stabling. Garage. Chauffeur's flat.

Garage.

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Easy motoring dis

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ATTRACTIVE GEORGIAN RESIDENCE, situated so as to command BEAUTIFUL VIEWS: fine lounge hall, three other well-planned reception rooms, adequate domestic offices, about fifteen bed and dressing rooms, four bathrooms; hot and cold water is laid on to the bedrooms.

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Excellent garage accommodation for six cars, men's room over: stabling, two es and four cottages. There is also small farmery with farmhouse and good lings, at present Let.

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Central lounge hall, billiard and three reception rooms, twelve to fourteen bed and dressing rooms, four bathrooms.

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racquet court.

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300 ACRES

ONE FARM OF 177 ACRES LET AT £225 PER ANNUM, THE REMAINDER WITH PEDIGREE HERD BUILDINGS IN HAND,

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THE EXCEEDINGLY ATTRACTIVE FREEHOLD RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY,

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INTERESTING GEORGIAN HOUSE,

ontaining hall, four reception, billiard, 20 bedrooms, bath, good offices; stabling, arage; home farm.

ELECTRIC LIGHT. TELEPHONE. GOOD WATER SUPPLIES.

RICHLY TIMBERED GROUNDS and PARK of about 88 acres, productive small FARM of 29 acres, COTTAGES, and RICH GRASSLAND; in all about

158 ACRES (in hand).

For SALE by AUCTION (unless previously disposed of) by Messrs.

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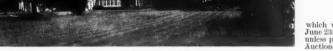
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DELIGHTFUL LAWNS AND GARDENS,

hard court, swimming bath, rosery, Dutch garden, clipped yew and holly hedges, kitchen garden; in all over

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Petrol gas, central heating, telephone; having a WEALTH OF PANELLING and other period decorations, including old floors, beams and fine staircase. Beautiful old-world gardens and small park; lodge, farmery, and garage, with SIX-AND-A-HALF OR EIGHTEEN ACRES.

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AT A VERY MODERATE PRICE.

## HANTS AND SUSSEX BORDERS

Five-and-a-half miles from Petersfield.

TO BE SOLD, FREEHOLD.

A MODERN RESIDENCE, which stands in a park of 80 ACRES, and occupies a superb position 600ft. above sea level, on light soil, with south aspect, and commanding magnificent views which extend to the Isle of Wight; approached by two drives with lodge at entrance of each; lounge hall, four reception rooms, billiard room, twelve or fifteen principal bedrooms, four with bathrooms adjoining, ample servants' accommodation, four other bathrooms.

Central heating.

Electric light.

Ample private water supply. Stabling. Garage. Nine cottages.

The House is in perfect order throughout and replete with every modern convenience. Two tennis lawns and croquet lawn, yew garden, three walled fruit and vegetable gardens, squash racquet court, tea house, the remainder being park and woodland; in all ABOUT 286 ACRES.

More land can be had by arrangement.

Excellent hunting with two packs. Shooting over the estate, while adjoining shooting can generally be rented. YACHTING AT SOUTHAMPTON.

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## GROUNDS OF GREAT EXTENT

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In one of the most beautiful and unfrequented parts, occupying a glorious position, entirely surrounded by the Forest.



THIS PICTURESQUE RESIDENCE,

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Lounge hall, five reception rooms, nineteen bedrooms, three bathrooms.

TWO GARAGES, STABLING FOR TWO, COTTAGE.

## BEAUTIFUL PLEASURE GROUNDS.

Two tennis courts, rose garden, grass and woodland walks lake, masses of rhododendrons, excellent kitchen garden, forcing-house, etc.; the whole embracing an area of about

SEVENTEEN ACRES.

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WOODLANDS.

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HERNE,

ELIGIBLE AND WELL-PLACED BUILDING SITES,

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BETWEEN DENBIGH AND BETTWS-Y-COED.

THE RESIDENTIAL, AGRICULTURAL, AND SPORTING ESTATE OF

GWYLFA HIRAETHOG, in the parishes of Bylchau and Henllan, Llansannan and Nantglyn.

THE PROPERTY includes the Residence Gwylfa Hiracthog, situate on the Moorlands 1,600ft. above sea level in a unique position commanding magnificent views of mountain and sea, and containing three reception rooms, fifteen principal bed and dressing rooms, three bathrooms, servants' quarters, complete domestic offices.

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CWM-Y-RHINWEDD FARM, BRYN-EITHIN AND AFON UCHA FARMS, THE SPORTSMAN'S ARMS,
and land held on yearly tenancy.

BRYN-TRILLYN GROUSE MOOR of 325 ACRES.

With this exceptionally good moor is leased
12,000 ACRES of SHOOTINGS ADJOINING, and together forms ONE OF THE BEST
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About one mile from Herne Bay sea front and station, six miles from Canterbury.

THE VALUABLE AND IMPORTANT FREEHOLD RESIDENTIAL, SPORTING, AND AGRICULTURAL ESTATE,

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SITUATE IN THE PARISHES OF HERNE, CHISLET, AND STURRY, including

AN IMPOSING MANSION, approached from the Herne Bay—Canterbury Road by a winding carriage drive, and containing: Inner or staircase hall, five reception rooms, billiard room, conservatory, two winter gardens, boudoir, seventeen principal and guests' bed and dressing rooms, four bathrooms, staff accommodation, and complete domestic offices.

Electric passenger lift, Electric light, Companies' gas and water Main drainage, Telephone

Entrance lodge, keeper's and Dairyman's cottages, farmery.

BEAUTIFULLY TIMBERED PLEASURE GROUNDS. PLEASURE GROUNDS, including ornamental lake, wide spreading lawns, formal garden and tennis lawns, well-stocked kitchen gardens with full complement of glass, substantial block of garage and estate premises, situate off the Herne Bay—Canterbury main road.



THE WHOLE ESTATE EXTENDS TO ABOUT 2,020 ACRES

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## WESTMORLAND

TO BE SOLD, FREEHOLD.

## STONE-BUILT RESIDENCE,

situated about 600ft. above sea level, facing South, and commanding good views to Morecambe Bay and Langdale Pikes; approached by two drives with lodges; hall, three reception rooms, twelve bed and dressing rooms, three bathrooms, offices.

CENTRAL HEATING.

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Ornamental lawns, flower garden, two walled kitchen gardens, orchard, the remainder being the Home Farm which extends to about  $91~{
m acres}$ ; in all about 100 ACRES.

THE WHOLE PROPERTY IS IN GOOD ORDER.

HUNTING.

SHOOTING.

FISHING.

GOLF.

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TO GENTLEMEN FARMERS.

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In the beautiful district between Tenterden and Rue.

GENTLEMAN'S CHOICE RESIDENTIAL FARM,

63½ ACRES,
47 pasture, nine-and-a-quarter lucrative fruit, seven woodland.

 ${\tt DELIGHTFUL\ OLD\text{-}FASHIONED\ HOUSE, with\ abundance\ of\ old\ oak,\ perfectly\ restored.}$ Petrol gas. Telephone.

ATTRACTIVE GROUNDS AND GARDENS.

Two cottages, first-rate buildings, specially equipped for pedigree pig-breeding. Everything in excellent order.

VACANT POSSESSION.

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LOXLEY HALL, WELLESBOURNE, NEAR WARWICK.

THE COMPORTABLE RESIDENCE, which stands on rising ground and enjoys delightful views over the broad valley of the Avon, contains hall, billiard and three reception rooms, fifteen bed and dressing rooms, four bathrooms, and excellent offices.

Electric light. Ample private water supply. Central heating. Telephone.

Entrance lodge. Garages and stabling. Farmbuildings.

THE OLD-WORLD PLEASURE GROUNDS contain many fine walnut and other trees, tall yew hedges, tennis lawn, large walled garden and two mature orchards, park pasture and woodland; in all abut

4 ACRES.

HUNTING. GOLF.

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Residential and Manorial, Rich Pasture, Fruit and Hop Farm 279 Acres.

FOR SALE.

WITTERSHAM COURT,
a typical GEORGIAN MANOR HOUSE, with wealth of old oak. WATER LAID ON,
ELECTRIC LIGHT, TELEPHONE.

#### PARTICULARLY ATTRACTIVE GROUNDS.

Ample agricultural buildings with covered yard. The land, on a favourable southern slope, includes  $\,r_{1}\,markably$  good grazing and fattening pastures, fifteen acres standard and bush fruit and nine acres of hops.

TWO COTTAGES (four more if desired). LORDSHIP OF THE MANOR.

For many years occupied by the owners, the whole Property is in excellent condition and high cultivation.

GOLF. HUNTING. SHOOTING.

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Two minutes' walk fro dk from Elstree Station (L.M. and S. Ry.); twelve m
THE FREEHOLD RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY, twelve miles from London.

THE RESIDENTAL PROPERTY.

THE MANOR HOUSE, ELSTREE.

THE RESIDENCE is approached by a drive with entrance lodge, occupies a secluded position, and contains hall, three reception rooms, twelve bed and dressing rooms, two athrooms, and complete offices; Companies' gas and water, modern drainage, electricity shortly available; garages and stabling, men servants' accommodation.

MATURED PLEASURE GROUNDS, tennis lawn, rock and rose gardens, swimming or llly pool, fruit and vegetable garden and greenhouses, good meadow, area of VALUABLE BUILDING LAND; in all about

## SIX-AND-THREE-QUARTER ACRES.

To be offered for SALE by AUCTION, as a whole or in two Lots, in conjunction with Messrs. INGMAN & MILLS, at an early date.
Solicitors, Messrs. PONTIFEX, PITT & CO., 16, St. Andrew's Street, E.C. 4.
Auctioneers, Messrs. INGMAN & MILLS, 47, Foregate Street, Worcester; and Messrs.
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Ten minutes' walk from Bexley Station (S. Ry.), half-an-hour by rail from London.

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THE COMFORTABLE FREEHOLD RESIDENCE,

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The brick-built, gabled and slated RESIDENCE stands on high ground in the hamle of Cold Blow, is approached by a short drive, and contains hall, three reception rooms eight bed and dressing rooms, bathroom and complete offices.

Companies' water, gas and electricity. Telephone. Main drainage.

Garage for four and stabling; matured gardens, tennis lawn, rose garden, fruit and vegetable garden with greenhouses; extending in all to over

ONE-AND-A-HALF ACRES.

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Kent.
Auctioneers, Messrs. DANN & LUCAS, 23, Budge Row, Cannon Street, E.C. 4, and at Dartford, Kent.
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THE ESTATE SALE ROOMS, LONDON, W. I.

BY DIRECTION OF A. C. BECK, ESQ.

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ON THE "PILGRIMS WAY." Three-and-a-h

m Maidstone THE FREEHOLD HISTORIC PROPERTY,

One mile from Bearsted.

THE FREEHOLD HISTORIC PROPERT THORNHAM FRIARS, BEARSTED, about 300ft, above sea level and commanding magnifleent panoramic views. THE RESIDENCE, believed to be a XVIth century "Rest House," has been enlerged and modernised with unusual skill and contains hall, billiard and four reception rooms, eleven bedrooms, two bathrooms and offices; Company's water and gas, house wired for electricity, central heating.

GARAGE FOR THREE CARS.
PLEASURE GROUNDS with old flagged terrace and yew hedges, tennis and croquet lawns, parklike pastureland; in all ABOUT SEVENTEEN ACRES. Hunting with two packs, golf at Bearsted. To be offered for SALE by AUCTION, in the Hanover Square Estate Room, at an early date (unless previously disposed of Privately).

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SSS. W. A. G. DAVIDSON & Co., Bank Buildings, Acton, W.3. Auctioneers, Messrs. KNIGHT, FRANK & RUTLEY, 20, Hanover Square, London, W.1, and Ashford, Kent



#### SUSSEX

TWO MILES FROM HAYWARDS HEATH STATION AND 40 MILES BY ROAD FROM HYDE PARK CORNER.

THE SINGULARLY CHARMING FREEHOLD RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY,

OLD PLACE, LINDFIELD

SITUATE IN THE PICTURESQUE VILLAGE OF LINDFIELD.

Including

AN ORIGINAL TUDOR MANOR HOUSE.

built about 1590 of small hand-made bricks, richly carved barge boards, mullioned windows with leaded lights and Horsham stone-flagged roof.

It stands nearly 200FT. ABOVE SEA LEVEL, aces south, and affords the following accommodation:

Inner hall, small and great arlours, dining room, smoking som, library, billiard room, ighteen bed and dressing soms, two bathrooms, con-enient domestic offices.

Electric light, Central heating. Company's wate Main drainage.



ENTRANCE LODGE. STAFF COTTAGES.
GARAGES and STABLING.

THE PLEASURE GROUNDS
AND GARDENS
of unusual beauty form a perfect complement to the HOUSE.

and include formal garden, bowling alley, green alley, herbaceous borders.

PRODUCTIVE KITCHEN GARDEN AND ORCHARD.

THE HOME FARM, including a good set of buildings with dairy.

The Property extends to about 150 ACRES.

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ENCLOSURES OF VALUABLE BUILDING LAND; in all about 29 ACRES.

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IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE RIGHT HONOURABLE VISCOUNT LEVERHULME.

Removed from Lews Castle, Stornoway, and Borve Lodge, South Harris,

Comprising

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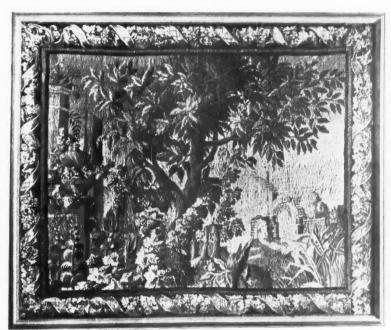
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OF HOUSE SHOWING LOGGIA AND ORNAMENTAL POND WITH FOUNTAIN The gardens with their miniature ponds and stone terrace walks form a delightful feature, GARAGE AND FARMBUILDINGS.

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Also a lesser Residence known as "THE ELMS," BITTESWELL, the whole extending to about

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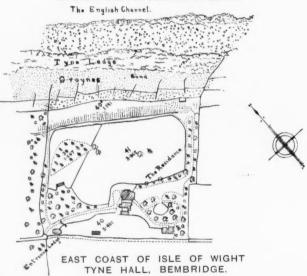
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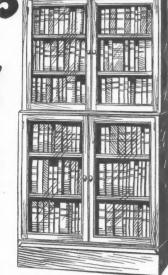
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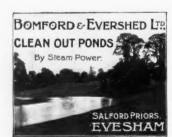
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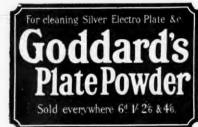
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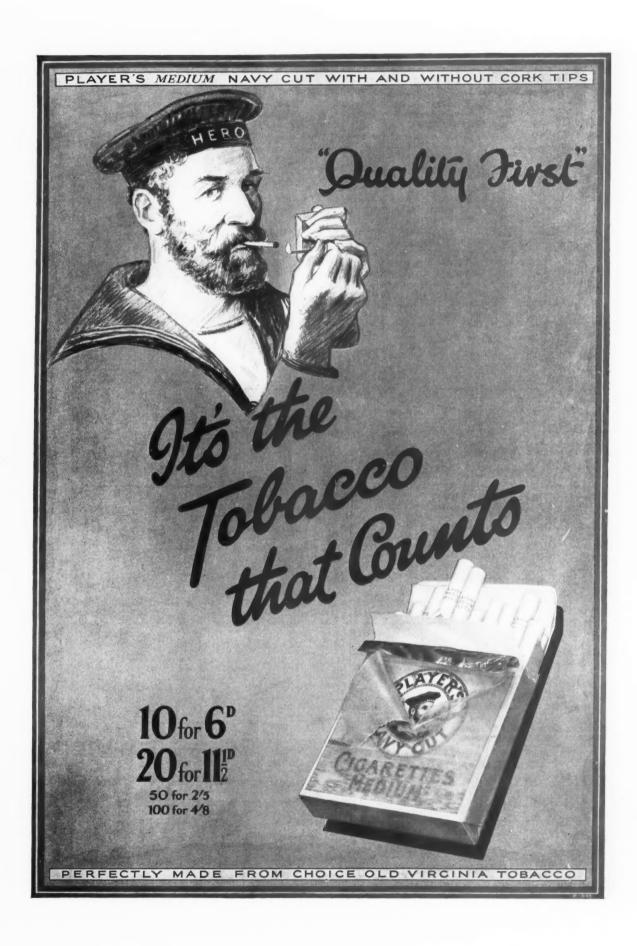
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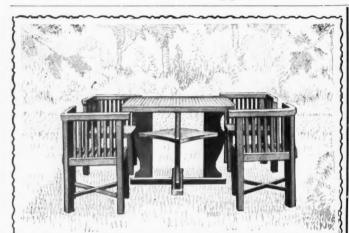






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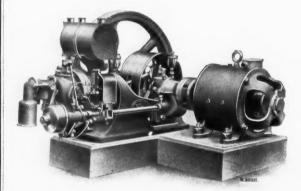
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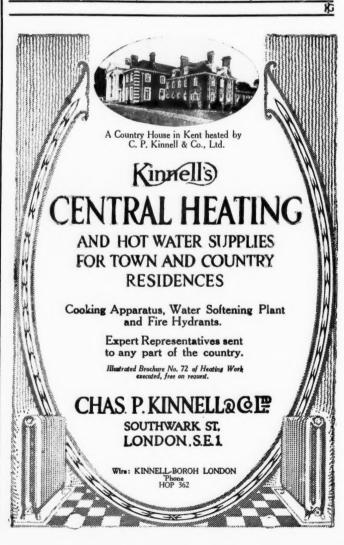
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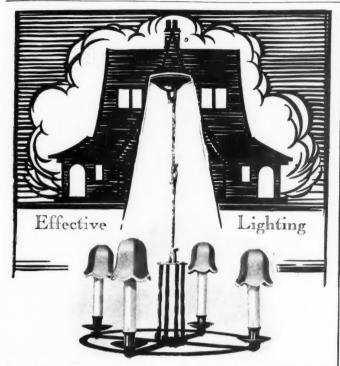
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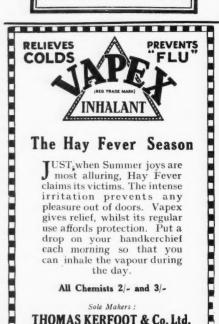
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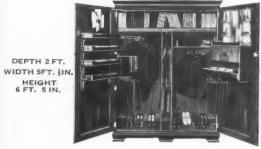
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#### THE PERIL OF THE COUNTRYSIDE

HIS is the season of the year when all of us, whether country dwellers or town dwellers, rejoice in the natural loveliness of our own native countryside. The face we have known and loved since infancy smiles at us afresh. The comfortable, rounded, well returning from the artificial beauties of the Riviera, from the picturesque scenery of Italy or the rolling plains of France all come back to the softer beauties of our own landscape, clothed in its spring greenery, hoping to find comfort and happiness in its charm and serenity. At least, that is what they expect to find, what has been at the back of their minds in their travels causing even a certain nostalgia at its remembrance. What, in effect, they do find is something very different. In the midst of the loveliest surroundings in the very heart of rural England, sung from time immemorial by our poets, it is to-day ten chances to one that we alight upon a tin or asbestos bungalow or a choice assortment of hideous advertisement boards. On a magnificent sweep of the downs we come across a whole patch of such bungalows with all the appearance of a wast stretch of untidy allotments and their sheds. Before the war we were all sufficiently alarmed and indignant when the speculative builder here and there erected in some country spot a pair of villa residences redolent of the suburbs. His activities were sporadic, and generally limited by the train service from London or other big towns. They rarely spread over a whole countryside, nor did they reach the precious secluded heart of the country. Now the case is entirely different. Kent and Essex are destroyed, and Sussex threatened. The motor cycle and the small car, though they may on occasion save us from the Continental rigours of a general strike, bring their own terrors in their train. Their range is enormous. There is no part of the country which they cannot reach, and reach easily. No one would mind this, except a few old-fashioned pedestrians, if they did not bring other things in their train; first the glaring advertisements, and last, and worst of all, the brightly coloured, flimsily built week-end bungalows.

The advertisements are the least serious because they are the most easily mended. A few spirited inhabitants, like certain Cambridge undergraduates, could lay them low in a night. Failing that, there are other methods of control. Indeed, there is already in existence an Act of Parliament for the purpose. This Act enables local authorities to forbid the erection of advertisement hoardings in their areas. Successful prosecutions have already been taken under the Act, which only needs a little public enthusiasm to be everywhere adopted. Then we have had the excellent precedent of two rival firms amicably agreeing to withdraw their rival signs. It is not inconceivable that the same generous spirit might spread. But what can happen to the bungalows? What dire fate can overtake them and, more important still, what can prevent their breeding and giving birth to others? One cannot imagine any English Government attacking the Englishman's home in any circumstances, even if that home be but a week-end one, and not always used for reputable purposes. The great estates might have exercised some control in certain districts, and, no doubt, did for a time, but they are fast breaking up, if they have not already done so.

There remain, therefore, only the Rural and District and County Councils, and these only have the power to exercise control if they seek that power. They must adopt a regional planning scheme, and so gain control over the development of their area. They can go farther: they cannot only determine where the new buildings are to go, but of what they should be built and how they should look. All this, however, needs courage and foresight, and such are not generally the conspicuous qualities of the average local councillor. One can easily imagine the small village grocer, who is probably also a leading politician, taking quite an opposite view. It would be a very natural thing if he delighted to see the surrounding hills dotted with bright little bungalows from which would bicycle down each morning to his store bright and hatless young ladies all clad in artificial silk. The interests of the small retailer, and even of the small farmer, are generally too restricted for them to take the wider view and to appreciate the greater things that are at stake. If, therefore, the gentlemen of England wish to save the countryside from which they have arisen, they must do it themselves. It is no good lamenting the vulgarity, and going off to shoot big game in another continent. They must take the necessary steps to sit on all these local councils, even down to the parish ones, and share with the grocer and the undertaker the responsibility of local government. Having sold their acres and lost their hereditary control, they must regain that control, and in the better way of personal leadership and authority. Once ruling the councils they can rule again the countryside, and for the benefit of all. They can then pass or refuse plans, initiate, help forward or scotch new schemes. Indeed, in their new capacity of councillors and leaders they can do more, because they can exercise their powers over a wider field. As landlords they only commanded their own tenants. As district councillors, with determination to use all the new powers given by the town planning and other recent Acts of Parliament, they can not only save the countryside but rule in a way and to an extent of which neither they nor their ancestors dreamed.

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# COUNTRY NOTES

HITSUNTIDE has given us all time for reflection and for the adjustment of our ideas a little confused, perhaps, by the kaleidoscopic happenings which began on May Day. We now see the Great Strike more or less in perspective. Like the Great War, it has altered little and settled nothing. The same problems, purely economic in their essence and unchangeable by force or recrimination, remain to be solved. Fortunately, we are beginning to realise that all such useless outbreaks of economic or military violence are the inevitable results of traditional suspicion and hostility. And just as the nations of Europe are becoming convinced that they can no longer afford to base their international policies on hatred and suspicion, so we are, we fervently hope, discovering the futility of this spirit of mistrust in our civil and industrial life. "The folly of the General Strike," says Mr. W. L. Hichens in an admirable letter to the *Times*, "is now generally recognised. Is it not time that we realised that our policy of indulging in our early morning hate is equally foolish and disastrous?" "Let us give up recrimination," he adds, "let us bury the past full fathoms live and concentrate on the future." the future." Most of us to-day are doing our best to follow out this advice. We are all settling down to work again after our welcome and unwelcome holidays. But we have in the Coal Strike an unpleasant reminder that in some places the old spirit still exists, the old spirit which sees the essence of our industrial problems as a business of haggling over low wages or restriction of output. truth is that high wages can only march hand in hand with high production. What we apparently have still to discover is that neither can be had without the other.

IF travel in this country has not been a bed of thornless roses during the holiday, at any rate a full service of boat trains has been running and special relays of aeroplanes have taken our exhausted countrymen to the Valuta Paradises of France and Belgium. Many of them, no doubt, found their way to the Luxembourg, and these saw the Tate Gallery of Paris in its new dress. It has been redecorated, much of its cumbrous statuary has been removed, and much of the drossy accumulations of a past age have been purged from its now purer gold. The Impressionists and their followers at last begin to occupy the place they should have in the great ante-chamber to the Louvre. In the central chamber Monet stands at the head of his group, and typifies the revolution which M. Masson, the Director of the Luxembourg, has brought about. Here are Van of the Luxembourg, has brought about. Here are Van Goghs, Renoirs, Pissarros and Sisleys grouped round Manet's wonderful "Balcon" and Monet's "Dans un Jardin." Of the older schools, Carrière is worthily represented by his "Verlaine" and "Alphonse Daudet"; and the number of glorious canvases by Dégas seems almost inexhaustible. Detaille and Cormon, with their tiresome handlitte have disconsented to the culture and only such banality, have disappeared to the cellars, and only such

solid old stagers as Bonnat and Benjamin Constant stay above ground to remind us of the epoch of bourgeois prosperity which we have now left far behind.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI, who, whatever his enemies may say, may at least be credited with the faculty of striking the public imagination, besides proposing to excavate in the centre of Rome on a scale never before attempted, proposes now to revive the scheme for draining the lake of Nani in the Alban Hills. By doing this, it he succeeds in the project, he will expose the two great pleasure barges of the time of Nero which are known to recline on its bottom. These boats, one of which is 150ft. long by 98ft. in the beam, and the other 234ft. by 69ft., are known to contain objects of art of the greatest interest. Some have already been recovered by divers. The idea of raising these boats has often been entertained, but the difficulties and danger have been too great. If, in the process, the boats were tilted-and both of them lie at a steep angle on the volcanic bottom of the lake-the probability would be that the interesting furniture and other effects would be shot off into the lake and disappear for ever down the volcanic fissures which are known to exist. The articles already retrieved include bronze and marble statues, mosaics and much elaborate metalwork. The boats were really artificial islands covered with little temples and groves. To expose them complete in all the prodigality of the luxury of the period would be a work of extraordinary interest.

#### SLEEPLESSNESS.

Hush the clamour of thoughts Beating about your mind; Send the rabble of memories Flying, and stay behind.

Lock the door of your heart On hope as on despair; Before your spirit can take flight There must be quiet there.

Then, on green fields of sleep, Open one window wide; And hark how afar, afar, afar, Comes in a swinging tide.

Give yourself to the tide Like a boat, hold nothing back; For upon those waters now you go Softly to what you lack;

Ah, not to your heart's desire!
But yet to Oblivion,
That shall bind your wounds through the deep dark hours
For to-morrow's fight. Swing on.
V. H. FRIEDLAENDER.

A VERY interesting discovery has been made in the botanical laboratories of the University of Liverpool. Professor McLean Thompson has made a long series of experiments on the preservation of ripe fruit. He has maintained without damage or decay a large quantity of ripe Valencia oranges for eight months, and of ripe American apples for six months. He has done this, too, without resorting to cold storage. His method is to keep the fruit at the same temperature and humidity at which it has ripened in its native place and to give it by filtration only just as much air as it requires for "breathing" in a dormant state. In cold storage the fruit is kept in a condition of suspended animation, and rapidly deteriorates when it is brought into the open air. In Professor Thompson's chambers the fruit may be considered to be asleep rather than dead. It retains, therefore, its life and The mechanical appliances required appear to be much less expensive than those required in cold storage. The Liverpool professor has made his experiments on a considerable scale and has extended them over a couple of years. The fruit importers of the Port of Liverpool have supported him throughout, and have taken the liveliest interest in his results. It looks, therefore, as if an era is about to dawn when we shall really inherit the

fruits of the earth both in and out of their due season. As there are many tropical fruits, too, which at present cannot reach this country owing to the length of voyage necessary, we may be in sight of a new food supply. Such results of research, as this appears to be, are a great credit to our newer universities.

WATERLOO BRIDGE is becoming a bad joke. Unless the House of Lords intervenes at the last moment in a way in which, to its credit, it has intervened in such matters before, the finest bridge in Europe will disappear and a totally unnecessary bridge will be built elsewhere. The City of London has a fund called "The Bridge House from which it can build bridges across the Thames. It can build them anywhere with consent, but prefers, naturally, to build them within its own borders. It suggests building, therefore, a perfectly unnecessary bridge, called the St. Paul's Bridge, in close proximity to the unnecessary Southwark Bridge. The latter is so empty that it is reputed to be the best place in town for boys to play at marbles. The new St. Paul's Bridge will not only be equally empty, but there is a fear that such traffic as may cross it will do damage to the Cathedral. If Waterloo Bridge is rebuilt at twice its present width, it will only create new traffic difficulties in the Strand, which found it an almost impossible task to absorb the traffic delivered to it by the old bridge. If we were rational people, caring both for our money in order to make the best use of it, as well as the few remaining monuments of a great architectural period, we should use the money of the Bridge House Estate to repair Waterloo Bridge and to build a new bridge at Charing Cross, where it is badly wanted. Such a solution of our difficulties is too simple and obvious for the many and jealous public authorities concerned.

ON the breezy banks and braes of Muirfield the spectators who last Monday came to watch the first round of the Amateur Championship were inclined, like Dick the shepherd, to blow their nails, and occasionally to take a look at their flasks. In spite of glorious sunshine, the blood was nipped by a biting east wind, and coats and mufflers were the order of the day. The new course must have seemed infinitely long to some of the competitors; it is, actually, nearly seven thousand yards long, and the ground was terribly soft and holding. Poor Mr. Tolley, for whom the course might, in theory, have been designed, found it completely disastrous. He hit a fine tee shot at the fifth, floundered about badly, and finished the hole in eight. After that all was over, and malicious spectators were soon estimating his score in centuries. Major Hezlet's defeat was another surprise. His opponent, Mr. MacCallum of Troon, played a fine consistent game. He is always a fine hitter, and on this occasion his putting was superb. Of the Americans, Mr. Ulmer, not a player of the first rank, gave Mr. Wethered a great deal of trouble, and Mr. Roland Mackenzie, who is not yet twenty, played a splendid game, which seemed to promise still finer performances.

THE true Bank Holiday weather which South Britainunlike Muirfield-experienced at Whitsuntide brought out record crowds to watch the cricket both at Lord's and in the country. At Oxford the Australians put up a fine display of batting against the University, and the Oxford bowling and fielding showed signs of inadequacy. Indeed, observers who saw the Cambridge game are already inclined to predict that Oxford will be found no match for their opponents when they arrive at Lord's. That, however is a dangerous prophecy; there is still much time for improvement. At Lord's Maurice Tate delighted an enormous crowd by doing the hat-trick and taking nine wickets for 71 runs. It was a good wicket for a good bowler, and Tate showed himself once more a very good bowler indeed. The Middlesex batting was by no means bad, but Tate simply "tied the batsmen up." With the last ball of one over he clean bowled Mr. Bruce. With the first ball of his next he had Mr. G. O. Allen leg before wicket and with his next ball he bowled Mr. W. Haig.

NOT the least valuable service that the National Art Collections Fund performs for the public is the annual review, by the Chairman for the year, of the position of art collections generally in England. Sir Robert Witt, in this year's report, draws a lesson from America, where "it seems to be the aim of every rich and successful man, as it was in England during the 18th century, to bring together and make accessible to the public really fine collections.' We have the Cook collection, the Mond bequest to the National Gallery, and the promise of Sir Joseph Robinson that eventually his superb collection will be accessible to the public. But the Fund itself seems to be the only munificent collector that can be relied on for the future. We would suggest that it should turn its attention to the animal school of 1800, particularly Stubbs and Marshall. At present the nation possesses only one Stubbs, and none of the latter. If the Fund could induce a few present possessors to bequeath works by such artists, a big gap would be filled and the national collection widen its appeal. This year's principal acquisitions are oil pictures, notably Sargent's "Madame Gautreau" and Mr. John's "Madame Suggia." The exquisite fourth century B.C. statuette of Socrates and the Vyvian salt cellar are other masterpieces, in their different spheres, that we owe to the Fund.

OSTERLEY PARK, which is advertised as to be let, will bring memories of exquisite balls and garden parties to the generation before this one. The spot is ideal—a few miles out of London, in a fine park, and as quiet as ever it was. The house, originally built by Sir Thomas Gresham in 1577, was largely transformed by Robert Adam for the Childs about 1770, and remains exactly as he left it—perhaps his masterpiece of interior decoration. "A palace of palaces" Horace Walpole called it; yet it is far more manageable than Syon, and in many ways the decoration is finer. Such a famous and beautiful place should soon find a tenant, since motors render it so accessible. Perhaps one of those hospitable American ladies who enliven our seasons so pleasantly may snap at the opportunity.

#### EARLY MORNING.

Look out and see the lovely, lovely land
After the rain-sweet night
The air is cold
As mountain waters are
In pools snow bright.

So will you come and find a secret thing
(Joy has so short a day)
Let us be wise
And go adventuring
In Spring's own way.

KATHLEEN MOUNSEY.

THE industrial alcohol now used in this country is made from imported molasses, which is by far the cheapest raw material available, except sawdust, straw and other forms of cellulose which can at present only be converted into sugar with great difficulty. With molasses at £4 per ton, each gallon of alcohol costs only 1s. 11d. in raw material, and it has been suggested that, with the establishment of the sugar industry, a certain amount of beet molasses will become available for distilling. This may be so, but all the best molasses in the world would only yield about 100,000,000galls., and all the sugar molasses some 170,000,000 more—not a very large contribution to the total world consumption of over 1,020,000,000 barrels per annum. Whatever may happen in the distant future, it appears that mineral fuel is likely to hold its own so long as the supply in relatively accessible areas holds out. And those who fear an early exhaustion of supplies may take comfort from the fact that "all the petroleum raised during the last sixty years would not occupy as much space as one cubic mile, which could not be seen on a map of the world without a microscope." At the same time, it must be noted that out of 16,000,000 private motor cars in the world, it is estimated that 13,500,000

(or 84 per cent.) are on American roads. So that, although America and Mexico together produce 85 per cent. of the world's mineral oil, they use most of it themselves.

With increasing demand, however, will probably come increasing supply, both from America and from the more newly established producing areas.

#### **JACK HOBBS**

GREAT CRICKET PERSONALITY.

OHN BERRY HOBBS is a name that will live for ever oHN BERRY HOBBS is a name that will live for ever in the annals of cricket. By sheer merit he has won for himself the title, which nobody could venture to dispute, of the Premier Batsman of the World. He is, in the eyes of the lovers of English cricket, the supreme type of the perfect athlete, and to the man in the street he appears as a demi-god, and as being in a higher plane of existence than the rest of his compatriots on the field of play. To some, it may be, he is miraculous, different from other men, the street has the properciable. It may be the of interests some, it may be, he is miraculous, different from other men, unattainable, unapproachable. It may, therefore, be of interest to some of these hero-worshippers to hear a few intimate details of the great batsman from the pen of one who has had the privilege of being closely associated with him in many of his triumphs, and from one who can, perhaps, shed a new light on one of the most charming and unassuming personalities who ever graced a cricket field. Jack, as he is familiarly known, is a very natural, modest and ordinary human being, neither unduly elated by success nor despondent through failure. I remember once, last year, when he was on the very crest of his wonderful wave of successes, that I went up to him and said, "Well, you are a marvel; I suppose every time you go in to bat now, you know that you are bound to make a century." His reply was characteristic of the man: "No," he said, "as a matter of fact, after every century I make I wonder how on earth I managed to do it. I'm in luck, sir, that's what it is, and a time will come soon when fortune will no longer smile on me, and I'm making the most of this

time will come soon when fortune will nand I'm making the most of this giorious opportunity. I always have to fight my hardest for my runs (and what true cricketer will not admit this), and I try just to take the rough with the smooth in a calm, unruffled way." The words of a cricketer these, and the remarks of a modest, unspoilt man.

Many times have I been in with him, and I know of no batsman who gives you such unbounded confidence

him, and I know of no batsman who gives you such unbounded confidence as a partner; he seems to impart to you in great measure much of his own skill and not a little of his brilliance, so that even despite yourself you are forced, as it were, to give of your best, and to endeavour to emulate his grace of movement, his quiet confidence and his amazing resource in scoring strokes. of movement, his quiet confidence and his amazing resource in scoring strokes. When you are in with him his bat appears to be the width of a brick wall, and every ball is struck firmly and beautifully in the middle. In my partnerships with Hobbs I have always scored more quickly and more easily than on any other occasion. In 1919, I well remember that he and I used to go in first together, and I can vividly go in first together, and I can vividly recollect the thrill with which we used to race neck and neck towards our fifties, and on three never-to-be-forgotten occasions, towards our centuries gotten occasions, towards our centuries. He nearly invariably used just to lead the way, and as he quickened I quickened, till we raced neck and neck together. All my partnerships with him seem now as a wonderful dream; I seemed to be living on another sphere, and I can safely affer that with no and I can safely affirm that with no other batsman have I ever experienced a feeling so exalted. Such, then, is the wonderful personality of Hobbs, not only the supreme artist himself, but one who can force others to play far above their ordinary form. At Old Trafford one day we put on 200 runs before lunch on the first day of the match. Not bad going! Parkin was bowling one end and making the ball bowling one end and making the ball swing away to leg at the last moment. Jack began operating on him at once by pivoting right round, moving his feet like lightning, and hitting him with the swing round to long-leg. I, emboldened by his example, copied these tactics with success. Then Parkin ied bowling just outside the off

stump, and we both lay back and cut or slashed him through the covers. We had fifty up in twenty minutes, and by luncheon we were each of us ninety-six! There was much good-humoured banter at lunch as to which of us would get our hundred first, and I think we had a small bet of 6d. with each other about it (that was before the days of the betting tax!). On resuming, Jack had to take the first ball, and he hooked it to square-leg, and it looked a "four" all the way, and as we passed each other while we were running, I said, "Your sixpence, Jack." But it was beautifully fielded with one hand on the boundary, and we only ran three. Hobbs, ninety-nine, and self, ninety-six! I played out the over and nothing happened. Hobbs settled down to play the next over, and we started on one of his tiny little singles, in which case he starts to run the moment he makes the stroke, to play the next over, and we started on one of his tiny little singles, in which case he starts to run the moment he makes the stroke, which he places softly to cover-point. I was, of course, backing up with great eagerness, but he suddenly slipped, fell down, and Parkin at cover-point threw at the wicket, and just missed it by a hair's breadth! He was unable to score off the next five balls, and I turned to face the bowling of Dick Tyldesley. The first ball rose awkwardly, hit me on the thumb, and went through the slips for four. My sixpence! "Well, I'm bothered," shouted Hobbs from the other end, "what a fluke—bet's off!" This account of this particular partnership of ours serves to shed a further sidelight on Hobbs' personality—I refer to his cheery disposition—he is always full of good spirits, and always has a word of chaff for his partner or for the bowlers at the end of an over; he loves his cricket, every minute of it, and I think this peerless batsman can teach us all

peerless batsman can teach us all a great lesson in this respect, especially at the present time, when cricket is in grave danger of ceasing to cricket is in grave danger of ceasing to be a game pure and simple, and threatens to degenerate into a grim and terrible ritual, unrelieved by a cheerful smile or word by the players on either side. If a great player like Hobbs during the storm and stress of a Test Match can find time for a smile and a joke, surely we lesser lights can play and watch cricket in the spirit in which it was always meant to be played, and view it, no matter how strenuous the contest and how supreme the occasion, as the

it, no matter how strenuous the contest and how supreme the occasion, as the game which above all others we as Englishmen believe instills the spirit of friendship and cameraderie into the hearts of friend and foe alike.

Such, then, is Hobbs; the embodiment of skill, elegance, modesty, kindliness, and the possessor of the true cricket temperament, in that he views his successes and his failures philosophically, and loves for its own sake the game of which he has proved himself so great a master.

Much has been said of Hobbs's claims to be considered a greater batsman than W. G. Grace. Hobbs's own words to me just before that memorable match at Taunton last year may be of interest in this respect, in bearing out, as they do, the opinion on the matter held by most sound judges of the game: "Mr. Knight, I want to get this record-breaking hundred as soon as I can, but, believe me, not because I wish to beat the 'old man's ' record, but it is, perhaps, only natural that I should like to obtain more hundreds in one single year than any other batsman has ever done before me. I don't care twopence about the former I don't care twopence about the former record; after all, you can't compare us at all—we are different in every way, I play more matches in the year than Grace did, and, what is more, I play on very much better wickets. Cricket is an entirely different game now. 'W. G.' must have been superhuman to get the runs he did, with one ball creeping along the ground, and the other flying through his beard." A generous tribute by one great master to another.



DONALD J. KNIGHT.

## THE LITTLE SHIP



HEYBRIDGE: "IN ROMANTIC AND RURAL SURROUNDINGS,"

BRITISH vessel is a piece of British soil. Whether the ship be a huge ocean liner of tens of thousands of tons, a tramp steamer carrying the "red duster" to the four corners of the world, or a yacht owned and skippered by an enthusiast who looks upon his ship as the only piece of his country that matters: the fact remains, she is a piece of Britain.

And of all ships it is, perhaps, the yacht that has the closest connection with the land—the countryside. For during quite

a considerable portion of the year, during those long months of winter when only the hardiest will keep afloat, are not these craft we love laid up in estuary or river, or even far inland? In the bleak and wintry months these mobile portions of our country are in close communion with the immobile, sharing and absorbing that magic which binds the landowner to his acres and the yachtsman to his ship. In some parts of the kingdom, indeed, a typical winter landscape is made by the masts of vessels, laid up in romantic and rural surroundings for the winter;



BRIGGAGE: "WILL IT OPEN?"

and the work of preparing the craft for their next season's adventures is as much part of the life of the country as ploughing or any other rural occupation.

All through the winter the yachts have lain beside the land gathering strength in readiness for the buffets of next season, while their owners have been living over again past experiences and planning in happy anticipation of adventures to come. And now that spring is here the time has come for dreams to become realities, or, at any rate, for preparation for the coming realities to be actively pushed forward. For spring in the yacht world, as it is in the countryside, is a time of new growths and of renewals so that the summer may show a full harvest.

Happy is the owner whose ship lies close to his home so that he may personally supervise all that is being done on her, even if he cannot do it all himself. Nowadays, this winter

happiness is spreading. Even those owners whose business or profession ties them to towns far from the larger navigable waterways are better off than they were. Is there not the week-end habit and the motor car? And what better reason can one have for escape from paved streets and soot-laden skies than to see the ship laid up for security and care in her winter berth or to find out how she is shaping for next year's adventures?

Every little alteration, every repair of gear, every new coat of paint recalls some thrilling adventure of the past or some plan formed for the future. That broken shelf in the port cabin reminds us how James was thrown out of his bunk in a heavy sea off the East Coast last June; that bent stanchion recalls another tragi-comedy; while those new water tanks waiting to be fitted are a reminder of our determination to fare farther in the coming season than was possible before.



"FORESTS OF TALL MASTS."



ISLE OF AXHOLME: "THE WEEK-END HABIT."

Another link between the yachtsman and the lover of the Another link between the yachting is a sport in the truest sense of the word. It is no game played according to man-made rules. The essential difference between sport and games is that sport not only calls for skill, knowledge and endurance on the part of the human being, but also involves some element which is not amenable to rules. One might almost say that a pastime is not a sport unless a life is in the balance. And those that go down to the sea in ships, be they big or little, liners, tramps, cruising yachts or racers, pit their ability and endurance against the unlimited power of the sea, the uncertainties of winds and tides, and in doing so take their lives in their hands. And this is as true of the motor yacht or the yacht fitted with auxiliary power as of the ships which keep to "sticks and string" alone.

The advent of the motor adapted for small craft and the possibility of fitting it to a sailing boat—and most cruising yachts are now so fitted—has really increased the connection between the little ship and the land, for it has made inland navigation the little ship and the land, for it has made inland navigation possible to a degree that was latterly undreamed of. We all know the Thames barges, vessels of 80 to 100 tons, which sail the Channel or, with lowered masts, penetrate far above bridges: and the small yacht fitted with a motor and with masts in tabernacles can go as far or farther than a barge and be brought farther from the sea and nearer the inland home of the owner than could be done before.

If a ship's masts are not fitted to lower readily, she is dependent on bridges that will open to let her through, and

"briggage" becomes a question of vital importance when considering how far inland she can go; just as the dimensions of locks and depths of canals must be studied if she is to be laid up

sidering how far inland she can go; just as the dimensions of locks and depths of canals must be studied if she is to be laid up far from the sea or make a voyage in inland waterways.

But the majority of yachts are only brought inland to be prepared for the great adventures-to-come on the salt water. The past is the past, no matter how good it was or how pleasant in retrospect; the real joy of life is in anticipation. So, while the yacht is fitting out, the yachtsman's greatest pleasure is derived from his plans for the future. What infinite possibilities lie before him! He can take his bit of Britain through all the seven seas. Muhlhauser sailed round the world in the 37-ton yawl Amaryllis; Slocum did the same, single-handed, in a smaller vessel; while Voss sailed from Victoria, B.C., via Australia and the Cape, to England in Tilikum, a 3oft. Indian canoe. One of Columbus' fleet was of only 40 tons. Why should not the owner of the smallest craft dare as much and go just as far as these adventurers? And the less ambitious have an almost unlimited variety of plans to choose from. If the Thames estuary, the Crouch and Blackwater, are too near home, there are the Channel, the Solent, the West Country ports and the west coast of Scotland all asking to be visited. Or, perhaps, the Baltic may be chosen, or that delightful cruising ground, innocent of tides that are worth mentioning, and studded with charming islands—the south-east coast of Norway.

The seasons have changed—winter is gone, and we are going affort again!

The seasons have changed—winter is gone, and we are going afloat again! G. S. W.

#### **BEFORE** WALKER CUP THE

BY BERNARD DARWIN.

LL this week the Championship battle will be raging at Muirfield, and then the scene shifts to St. Andrews for the Walker Cup. By that time we shall have tasted something more of the quality of our American guests ,and, clearly, it behoves me to be discreet in prophecy. I think, however, that I may fairly say this, that

prophecy. I think, however, that I may fairly say this, that our players have not had the worst of the preliminary skirmishes and have given no encouragement to our "inferiority complex."

Personally, I spent the period of the strike very placidly in bed, having several small but highly objectionable little objects taken out of my knee. Consequently, I have not yet seen the Americans play. Briefly, their career may be summed up thus: they provided four out of the first ten in the St. George's Cup at Sandwich, Mr. Von Elm tying for second place; they beat a good, solid team of the Oxford and Cambridge Society at Rye: they were fairly and squarely heaten at Woking Society at Rye; they were fairly and squarely beaten at Woking by a team of The Moles, which included eight out of the twenty-one players warned for action for the Walker Cup.

So far so good; but while we have every right to feel encouraged, we must not feel too "uppish." These have been very early days for our visitors. Those who come from the northern States had barely taken their clubs out of their winter wrappings when they sailed for England. They were bound to be about of practices. Again, they were here governly to be short of practice. Again, the weather has been cruelly against them. No man, to whom golf is primarily a game of shirt sleeves and shower baths, can be expected to do his best in leather jerkins and scarves and an icy wind. At the same in leather jerkins and scarves and an icy wind. At the same time we have every right to be pleased with our own men. Eye-witnesses tell me that Mr. Harris's golf at Woking was flawless. He is a better golfer now than ever he was. Despite the Nemesis that always seems to lie in wait for the holder; despite Mr. Bobby Jones and the whole formidable array of invaders; despite my self-denying ordinance in the matter of prophecy, I feel inclined to make Mr. Harris, in my own mind, first favourite for this Championship. this Championship.

The outstanding golfer on the American side is, of course, Mr. Bobby Jones. I know no piece of statistics so eloquent as his record in the American Open Championship since the war—nineteen strokes better than the next best man, Walter Hagen, who won our Open Championship twice in three years. But statistics are really not necessary in Mr. Jones's case. His play proclaims itself great at first sight. I am told, too, that Mr. Gillies has declared him the most perfect illustration of the merits of his new theory of driving, and that piece of praise from Mr. Gillies is praise indeed! He must be very formidable at Muirfield, but he will be still more so at St. Andrews, where he will have thirty-six holes in which to beat his man by ruthlessly "shooting par at him."

Another great golfer, and one whom we fear as much as we love, is Mr. Ouimet. He was the "star turn" of the side of 1923. We shall never forget his wonderful finish against Mr. Wethered—3, 4, 3 for the last three holes at St. Andrews—which halved his own match and went a long way towards winning the whole match. Mr. Ouimet is not only alarming in himself, but he is equally alarming in foursome partnership with Mr. Guilford. They have done many great deeds together.

Mr. Guilford hardly seems quite as good as he was, but when these two get together, each with his putting cleek held at the top of the grip, with elbows squared, Mr. Ouimet the putting master, Mr. Guilford the brilliant pupil, they make a terribly hard nut to crack.

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Mr. Gardner, like Mr. Guilford, would appear to have gone back a little, but he is such a magnificent, natural game-player that he is always likely to be at his very best on the day. Of Mr. Sweetser, the fifth of the old players, we have never seen anything like his best in this country. But I saw him win his Championship at Brookline in 1922, and I know how he can play. The other day Mr. Sweetser had two consecutive 69's round Pine Valley in one day. To those who know Pine Valley no more need be said. Mr. Sweetser does not look quite so good as some others and may be rather more a player of moods, but when he is in the mood, look out for squalls!

As I have not seen Mr. Von Elm, Mr. Mackenzie or Mr. Gunn play, I will say nothing about them for the moment. They are new here, and St. Andrews in a high wind may puzzle them, but I would not build on it. These Americans are all good—but I really think our side is going to be good also, and I am not downhearted.

## DEWPONDS

IGH up on the downs you will find the dewponds, lying open to the sky and reflecting the passing clouds as if in a mirror—that is, when the dewpond is still in use, but here and there you will come on a forsaken, broken dewpond, overgrown with hung over with bushes, the weeds, haunt of dragonflies, where you may watch their shimmering blue bodies darting backwards and forwards over the water and among the reeds; the pond picturesque in decay, but almost useless for the purpose for which it was made.

I have tried to find the word "dewpond" in various dictionaries, all weighty and some many volumed, and, so far, I have searched in vain. Advised by someone more expert in the use of dictionaries than myself, I have approached the word by devious routes such as consist in looking

routes, such as consist in looking up the word "pond" and trusting that I might find what I wanted under some sub-heading among various kinds of ponds. I even tried to look up "mistpool," but I drew blank every time! Yet there is such a word, and it is quite a common one in use in the Downland country, where the dewponds



THE POND BY THE BYRE.

themselves abound. "Mistpool" is another and, perhaps, more romantic name for the same thing. I do not know exactly where this word is used, for in Wiltshire we always say "dewpond."

Things change slowly in the lonely out-of-the-way corners

of the country, and what served prehistoric man has served his descendants through the centuries, and only now are the old ways beginning to alter. Perhaps the uses and customs of farming and agriculture generally have seen fewer changes than most arts and industries. We plough the fields, we reap the harvests -alas, not nowadays with sickle and with scythe - we gather the grain into our barns, the shepherds lead their sheep from pasture to pasture, and we store water for their use in the dewponds as of old time. When visit or read about the earthworks that tower over the valleys and are called castles or camps, or those equally loftily placed remains of British villages which prove that the downs once hummed with the activities of large populations, we are bound to ask how these



"FROM PASTURE TO PASTURE."

ancient peoples managed for water. Without water neither man nor beast can live, yet when we think of the pit dwellings, the places of refuge and defence, and all the old cattle trails across the hills, it is not possible to believe that they obtained their water supply from the marshy valleys below.

Even when the pastoral Celtic people reclaimed the valleys, and moved down, turning their attention more to agriculture, they still returned to their old hill pastures in May, and celebrated their shealing feasts, feasts which, in an altered form, are in existence to this day in some places. The explanation is that dewponds were as well known to the ancient Britons as to the Wessex and Sussex farmer of to-day—or, perhaps, one should



ON SALISBURY PLAIN.

say yesterday!—and scattered over the downs you may find the marks of old dewponds. Martinsell, which sweeps out over the Pewsey Vale near to Marlborough, is a neolithic settlement complete with dewponds and flint quarries, and Mr. Hippisley Cox tells us that dewponds occur at regular intervals along the ridgeways, those wonderful old roads, first trodden out by the pack mule, which formed the way of intercourse between the city and the far ends of the kingdom. Neolithic man may not have understood the theory of what he made, but he fully understood the practical idea.

Nowadays, machinery is fast displacing every picturesque old custom and use, the tractor ousts the horse teams, and the pumping station the well and dewpond, yet the art has not wholly died out; you can still find a newly made dewpond here and there on the downs and you may even, in your travels, come across the dewpond maker at work, plying his ancient craft, and proud of the fact that he has been called in to perform the work of his ancestral trade, which he alone can do.

Wiltshire has clung to this old custom longer than Sussex, apparently, if we may judge from a sentence in "Downland Pathways," in which the author writes: "There are still men who make such things — in Wiltshire chiefly — and fifty years ago men still made them on the Sussex Downs." I know of at least three dewponds made recently on different farms in the same neighbourhood in Wiltshire.

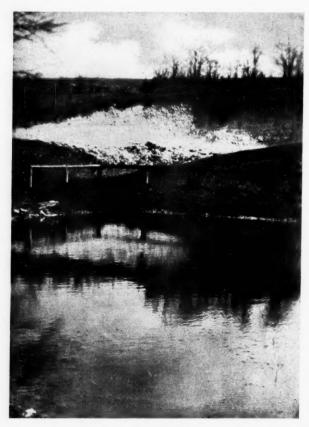
There are many different descriptions of how a dewpond is made and of the manner in which it acts. In Sussex, apparently, judging from the book I have just quoted, there is no particular art, a hole is dug, and puddled with the chalk itself or with clay. But in Wiltshire the process is far more elaborate, and dewpond making has always been a distinct craft; no farmer would expect his labourers to make him a dewpond. He must

send for the dewpond makers, and he may have to send some way, for you will find the master dewpond maker and his assistants living in the remote corners of the plain. They belong to the ancient order of mediæval craftsmen, and from the misuse of the word "mystery" in this connection, no doubt the belief arose that there was some mystery or trade secret in the making—some will tell you it lies in the straw, some in the clay!

The hole is first dug, in this case it would be deep, then it is puddled with clay, which often has to be brought some distance; over the clay quicklime is spread, then perhaps dirt and flints, after that it is well puddled, and peculiar wooden implements used to beat it smooth and hard. You may find variations of this recipe in different books and, no doubt, in the actual making, but the differences are of no importance. The explanations of how a dewpond works may also vary, but I think mean much the same thing, even if the scientific terms employed do not seem the same to the non-scientific reader.

It is not easy to photograph a dewpond with any hope of making a picture. I have taken several which give an expanse of bare down with a fenced hole in one part, for the dewpond is often fenced round to keep out the cattle, whose feet would break the puddled surface and render it useless, while the sheep are let through to drink, for their feet will help to keep it well puddled. Thus, the fence generally has one bar, sufficient to serve the double purpose of keeping out the cattle and giving access to the sheep.

I have sometimes sat on the edge of a dewpond near a sheltering thorn tree and watched the sheep making their way over the down, moving swiftly, as is their wont, till suddenly they are all round the pond and drinking, quite unheeding the stranger watching them. I know such a dewpond high on the ridge dividing two valleys of the plain, and close to where the old, old trackways



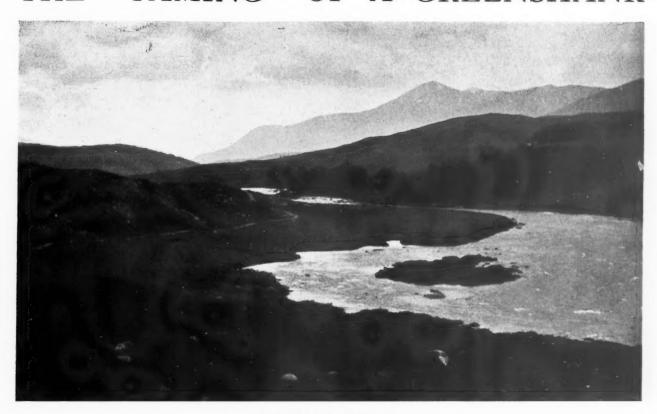
THE POND BY THE CHALK PIT.

meet and pass, which once brought tin from Cornwall and lead from the Mendips, and where the road which crosses them at right angles and goes on into the valley is still called the White Hill, no doubt from having been once one of the salt routes. In the wood round the old earthen camp near by, the wild ravens made almost their last nesting place.

The boast that a dewpond never fails of water in the heat was amply proved in the drought of 1921, when the springs gave out, the wells went dry, the winterbournes—or intermittent chalk streams—were useless, the fish died as the rivers dried up, and only the dewponds on the scorched downs remained full of water!

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## "TAMING" OF A GREENSHANK



GREENSHANK COUNTRY.

N reply to the question of a friend, curious about the remote Highland glen we proposed to visit, I produced a map. As he noted the areas coloured brown, and the darker brown which marked the 3,000ft. line, my friend smiled. "I hope it rains," quoth he.

And rain it did, as it can in that beautiful county of Inverness. Storm succeeded storm with regularity unfailing and intervals brief. Fishermen made flies. Birdmen elaborated old notes of birds, and were then reduced to such landscape as could be seen through the streaming windows. Often the view ended at the river roaring less than a mile below. Still nearer were misty woods in which deer sheltered. When the aqueous curtain became less opaque, white ribbons could be seen streaking

the mountainsides, streaks which closer approach would show to be raging torrents. In the finer intervals plane beyond plane of rolling moor became visible; and deep between each plane was a burn in spate. Occasionally, for a few moments, the snow-flecked summits could be seen. Then the clouds trailed wet skirts again; and the gale renewed its vigour, sweeping water in sheets over the moors, and obliterating everything.

What wonder that the lochs had risen, that trees were standing against a swirling flood, that boats tugged at the submerged posts to which they were moored, and that anglers and birdmen congregated smoking round the fire.

Our hope of finding a suitable nest of the black-throated diver had gone: no bird's nest within many yards of the usual



A GREENSHANK CALLING.



A GREENSHANK DOZING.



TURNING THE EGGS.



YOUNG SHANKS COMES BACK TO THE NEST.

loch level could possibly survive. And what of the greenshank out on the sodden moor and the little green tent by its side? Would our handiwork be strong enough to withstand the blast, and would the bird sit undaunted? We hoped—it was the least and the most we could do. And yet, some days later, the fly expert echoed the sentiments of all of us with the remark, "There isn't a finer thing in the world than a fine June morning in Scotland."

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Already we had experimented with the greenshank, and knew, as the old stalker who acted as our mentor had warned us, that photography was likely to "be no nignic."

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More often than not the sitting greenshank allows intruders to pass without showing itself; but, fortunately, this bird had flushed at twenty-five yards. A scraped hollow, in a bit of mossy ground on which some heather grew against a half-sunk rock held four eggs. To one side the moor lifted for some fifty yards to a heathery bluff; to the other it fell in a few feet to the quashy, grassy bottom. A typical nest, and a very ordinary, undistinguished set of eggs, they were pronounced by the expert. As we fixed the low tent and screened it with heather, a greenshank called in the distance, "choo-chook, choo-chook."

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Parts of three days I had already passed in the tent. On the first day I had listened to that queer, shrill "nest-call" of the greenshank for more than three hours before the bird ventured to sit the eggs. Then, after allowing it to sit in peace for twenty minutes, I got one wasted exposure.

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On the second day things seemed to improve, for after one bird had tried to rend the welkin for half an hour, its mate came to fill in the short intervals of silence and, a little later, to sit. Nervousness was plain, however, and I did no more than use the silent shutter a few

By all the rules of bird photography, on the third day the sitting greenshank should have been easy; yet I had an entirely blank three hours; after which we left, ostentatiously, for the sake of the eggs. The old stalker declared it was what he had expected, and doubted if it was possible to obtain a set of photographs of the greenshank.

greenshank.

That was the somewhat unpromising stage we had reached in process of taming the greenshanks when the bad weather set in, to last for some days until the departure of two friends optimistically lured away to another district by thoughts of dotterels. My friends left early one morning, and an hour or so afterwards the rain ceased: although fishermen predominated, I never heard a Biblical parallel mentioned; but, of course, whales are mammals.

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That day was my birthday. As we dropped down through the birchwood some deer scampered away. Already many stags, fulfilling their rôle of Highlanders' weather guide, had crossed the river and made for the higher ground. We followed after, noting a few black-cocks still disporting on hillocks in the broken ground of the first, gradual climb. As we topped the last bluff the tent was seen, apparently unaltered, and soon afterwards a white-tailed bird slipped

swiftly from its side. All was intact; but, before entering, I relieved the sagging roof of the bucketful of water it supported. After I had been alone for five minutes the greenshank began to call "clip-clip" continuously, a hundred yards to my rear. Then a circle was described round the tent, and the bird alighted nearer. Still calling, she walked forward almost directly but for a few short waits on mossy hillocks, and in fifteen minutes was astride the eggs. How different from the perambulations I had had to watch in silence on those first attempts. The six days' respite from disturbance had not been wasted. Early June is a fitting time for a bird-photographer's birthday, and it has usually been my lot to find a pleasant companion for the sunnier portion of the day—never more so than this time.

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With the bird at ease in front of me I could note its plumage in detail. Nothing in more harmonious accord with the moss and lichened rocks could be imagined. In sunlight the general effect was brownish grey; in shade grey predominated. The plumage of the nightjar occurred to me, but the effect here was

greyer.

The bill was blue grey, with the lower mandible paler towards the base, and it was very slightly tip-tilted. Throat and breast were white, speckled with brown-grey. Warm grey was the back, browner on the sides where the wings were folded, and it was marked with a few black triangular spots, and with many



SPRING CLEANING.

ashy brown notches and spots in the pale grey edges of the feathers. When wet with rain the bird looked darker and very grey. The legs were olive green. The white tail, so conspicuous in flight, was usually obscured by the folded wings when the bird was sitting or standing.

In the early afternoon I had a visitor, and the greenshank disappeared over the hill in the direction of the feeding loch where the non-sitter passed most of its time. But five minutes after my friend had gone the familiar "choo-choo-chook" sounded as the bird returned. At fifty yards the "nest call" began as she alighted; and the "clip-clip-clip" continued for some minutes until the final approach from three yards away. My visitor had turned one of the eggs, which had to be put right with bill and foot before the bird settled down. Then she calmly put her bill under her wing and dozed; and, whether from example or from the monotonous roar of the half-mile-distant burn, I began to feel drowsy too.

This "nest call" is very strange. Always when coming back to the nest the "clip-clip-clip" was called loudly, with very short intervals of silence until the final one. When near to the nest most birds are quietness itself. The greenshanks used the same insistent call, with slight variations, when with their young. Redshanks, also, are vociferous under such circumstances, but do not usually advertise to the world at large that



IN THE DOOR OF THE HOUSE.

they are about to sit their eggs. Our deer-stalker naturalist, from his probably unique experience with the species, called the greenshank a bad-tempered bird. Certainly, it can show great spirit on occasion. After getting half a mile away on our homeward journey one evening, necessity compelled me to return



A LAST LOOK ROUND.

for a lens I had left in the tent. The greenshank sat until I was a few yards away, then sprang forward to fly round at a great speed like an animated arrow, making excited swoops within inches of my head until I left. It was a fine performance. Few birds can turn and swerve so accurately at such a speed. We were told that a dog on ground where greenshanks have

young has an exciting time.

Three days later the cracking eggs were giving forth cheeping sounds, and through the larger ends of two of them appeared the white "egg-tooth," or notch, on the bill of the imprisoned the white "egg-tooth," or notch, on the bill of the imprisoned chick. Soon after the greenshank had settled down a loud squeal sounded from beneath her. When a hooded crow flew over I learned that the sitter's mate was also in attendance, and the crow had to hurry; my bird remained calm. Returning from the chase the mate began to call "clip-clip," and I spotted him on the sky-line some fifty yards above us. More than once a subdued rippling sound came from the throat of the sitter, and once or twice she pecked at the eggs beneath her. When we left, however, all the chicks were still in their shells.

On the following morning, at eleven o'clock, the nest held one downy chick and three eggs. The empty eggshell had disappeared. While I made preparations the chick walked away, and did not return when I got out of sight, though both parents soon did. The non-sitter called vigorously some twenty yards away, and the chick, no doubt, went to him.

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The second egg hatched at 1.25. Immediately afterwards,

as I was changing a plate, on the focusing screen of the camera I saw the greenshank pick up the empty shell in its bill and fly away with it.

away with it.

When the greenshank stood up at 3.30, as the third egg hatched, I could see that the down of chick No. 2 had dried. When my companions returned at 4.15 I asked them to pass me the dry chick before leaving, and in the half-light of the tent interior I noted that the nestling greenshank was striped longitudinally with black and buff, had white underparts, greenish grey legs and feet, and dark grey bill, paler towards the lase. With the departure of the visible humans the old bird tase. With the departure of the visible humans the old bird returned, and soon afterwards I put my hand under the tent covering and released the chick. Slowly and hesitatingly it toddled across the intervening six feet back to its parent, encouraged by a few maternal gutturals; and was soon taken underneath again.

The "old stalker" by this time had changed his views The "old stalker" by this time had changed his views on the prospects of photographic success with greenshanks. As this was likely to be my last chance of demonstrating how tame my bird had temporarily become, when my wife and he arrived for the last time, the greenshank having disappeared, I asked them to sit on a little bluff in full view some twenty yards away, and to keep still. Almost immediately the greenshank flew back. After watching the visible humans for a moment, without more ado she picked up the last empty eggshell in her bill, walked to a runnel of water near by, dropped the eggshell, rinsed her bill and returned to brood the chicks. The stalker's telescope was not required that time, and its owner "would not have believed it possible."

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By the following morning those chicks had covered a mile of rough ground, coming down a steep hillside to the sheet of water to which we were told the pair of greenshanks usually breeding on that particular beat always led their young.

In my early days I thought of the greenshank as rare. But it is difficult to find, rather than rare. Some Highland birds, such as the golden eagle, may be in danger. The black-throated diver, especially, seems to be in need of protection. But, scattered thinly over wide areas of mountain moorland, one protectively plumaged bird closely sitting, while all day its mate waits patiently by the distant loch selected as their feeding ground, the greenshank is in no danger, and can look after itself, if any bird can.

bird can.

Yet the strongest defence has generally a weak spot somewhere, and the greenshank's has two. Sometimes, when a greenshank is disturbed by its feeding loch—and always when due to change places with its mate on the eggs—it will fly direct and high to the moors above. When it does so, it is generally going straight to the neighbourhood of its nest. The second weak spot in the bird's defence is that strange "nest call."

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#### **SENSIBILITY** HORSE-SENSE AND

OT long ago a certain publication portrayed on its cover a well fed, red-faced person dressed in what the weaker brethren call correct hunting pink. He was sown supported by what was, no doubt, considered an adequate supply of foxhounds and by his own, as I thought, somewhat inadequate horse: he was labelled "Dressed to Kill!" Seeing that he wore no spurs, and had, apparently, sought to compensate for this by wearing black cuffs, as well as a black collar, to his coat, the title puzzled me at first. A moment later (so quick-witted am I) I realised that this was a joke. "Fit to be killed" was what the artist intended to convey, and, except that the man was obviously unfit to die, one could agree with the artist wholeheartedly.

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But in these days, when half the world spends three-quarters of its time in trying to understand the other half, it seems a pity to draw a pink herring of an imaginary "sportsman" across the trail to truth. If your profession happens to be that of humanitarian, it is, of course, a convenient fiction to imagine that all horsemen are noisy, brainless fellows, full of strange oaths and gross thoughts. But it is pure (or impure) fiction. So far as fiction is concerned, the writers of fiction declare that it is all our fault, that it is we, their readers, who insist upon a strong line being drawn between villains and heroes, virtue and vice, nimble wits and noodles. Proceeding on that assumption, the old morality plays attempted to meet in this way the demand for what the unfortunate public was on that assumption, the old morality plays attempted to meet in this way the demand for what the unfortunate public was supposed to want. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, in more recent years, confirmed that view—for Watson, he seems to say, must always be Watson, or Mr. Sherlock Holmes might never have been a best-selling sleuth. But Jane Austen, perhaps, holds the championship for "drawing a line where God has not," for Jane Austen, with her fine distinction between sense and sensibility, triumphantly got away with it, and confirmed a fallacy which real life has not yet succeeded in exploding.

This fiction-fallacy of the Pharisee has been a great comfort to the professional humanitarian. It has encouraged him to draw

a strong line between, for instance, himself and the horseman. Horsemen may have horse-sense, but, in his own eyes, only the humanitarian can lay claim to sensibility, and sensibility (so the dictionary says) is "sympathy, delicacy or keenness of

But if strong lines must be drawn, let us begin with a good strong one between fact and fiction. It may, or may not, still be true that "we are all Socialists now," but it is certain that we are all—in the wider meaning of the word—humanitarians; and, resisting the almost overpowering temptation of the retort the models for these amazing pictures of "Horseman sans Sensibility"? Because an artist is a pretty good shot at an Aunt Sally it does not mean that he should be allowed to set up his sallies all over the hunting field and expect to win our admiration at the ease with which he biffs them in the face. If directly tackled, the abusive ones will say that it is the hangers-on of horsemanship to whom they take exception—from the dregs of the racecourse crowds to the synthetic cream of some among the Midland hunting-boxes. But this is most unfair. The hangers-on of horsemanship are drawn willy-nilly into the open air—for all to see and revile. What about the hangers-on in other spheres of life? In a fairly wide acquaint-ance, ranging from a reputed receiver of stolen goods downwards (or sideways, if you prefer it), I have myself found no great variation in calibre among hangers-on, humanitarian or otherwise.

Horsemanship, as a matter of actual fact, has always been able to attract a pretty sound type of hanger-on, and horseman-ship calls for (even if it does not always get) qualities above the average. The Aunt Sally men may declare that a horseman cannot have both horse-sense and sensibility, but the horsemen whom I've seen disprove it. Neither horsemen nor humanitarians will get very far without horse-sense; but horsemanship would long since have degenerated into an affair of horse-copers making a precarious living by selling screws to screw-loose humanitarians, if horsemen had not had the sensibility which sympathy, delicacy or keenness of feeling," and had it in high degree.

high degree.

In the history of England lies part of the proof of this statement. It is not for me to presume to defend the great horsemen, and among the hangers-on are many who may be allowed to speak for themselves. To take a couple at random: George Borrow was a hanger-on of horsemanship, so was Dante. Dante was a cavalry trooper before people paid much attention to his poetry. It is very possible that his poetry improved his horsemanship. It does not appear that his horsemanship did much harm to his poetry. Again, no one would deny that horse-sense and sensibility were combined in George Borrow: in "Don Jorge," pricking on, hot-haste to reach and distribute his "depot of 500 copies of the New Testament at Corunna"; finding time to note the monstrous accusation that he rode with his stirrup leathers too short, claiming his title of El brujo, finding time to note the monstrous accusation that he rode with his stirrup leathers too short, claiming his title of *El brujo*, the wizard, as he bleeds his horse—successfully, if somewhat drastically—at Betanzos. And, incidentally, did it not prove that the only bookseller whom "Don Jorge" could find with enough courage, idealism and business ability to sell "several copies" of that same Testament in the priest-ridden town of Toledo was a bookselling cavalry soldier, complete with bookshop, "sabre, and a Cordovese *entero*"? "Match me this marvel" of combined horse-sense and sensibility in the ranks of the professional humanitarians—if you can! professional humanitarians-if you can

But hatred is becoming as old-fashioned as the pattern of last season's spurs. Behind the scenes the "Dressed to Kill" artist and myself may continue our duel with paint-brush and goose-quill, but behind the footlights, on the stage of life, humanitarians and horsemen will, no doubt, soon begin to give a more realistic presentation of each other's parts. At

the moment, however, the presentation of the horseman, even by those who wish him well, is still a little crude. We continue, for instance, to be told that His Royal Highness's hunters "stumbled at a jump" whenever H.R.H. achieves a particularly smashing toss. We are still confronted with those unreal men and women who sit round their real sirloin of beef singing "John Pael" in the great hunt-breakfast scene of the autumn mele-Peel" in the great hunt-breakfast scene of the autumn melodrama. On the other hand, on the humanitarian side, we might perhaps admit, if we were sure that no humanitarian was within hearing, that we have not yet entirely eliminated from the tragedies of life the exceptional hunting-man whose only justification for existence seems to be that, by his selfishness, extrava-

cation for existence seems to be that, by his selfishness, extravaance and arrogance, he proves the rule that these things can be no part of horsemanship.

There was once (once?) an American, nine-tenths of whose remarks to perfect strangers began and ended with a statement that his ancestors landed on Plymouth Rock. "And I wish to God, sir," finally retorted one of his exasperated victims, "that Plymouth Rock had landed on your ancestors." It would be pleasant to abolish both the foxhunting glutton and the alleged humanitarian with some such simple words as these: but would it really settle the matter? When due allowance has been made for flat-catching exaggeration, bred, so to speak, by jealousy from fanaticism, there remains a grain of truth in the charges brought by professional humanitarians against foxhunting itself, the source from which the English horseman draws his inspiration. Foxhunting is cruel, destructive, wasteful. "Well, so is life," says the horseman. "But can you suggest any better way of teaching courage, unselfishness, sympathy?" Up to the time of writing, I am bound to say that the humanitarian cannot.

Personally, I like horsemen to adopt this attitude and to stick to it. As an outsider, I am not much impressed by the statements of the people who bob up with a column of figures to prove that foxhunting is a national industry, is economically essential to the country, and is irreplaceable as such. Broadly speaking, that is all my eye (and Betty Martin). Foxhunting and horsemanship are among those nebulous things, the invisible exports with which we have paid for our Empire, and with which we continue to pay for our place in the world. That may sound as if Betty Martin was speaking broadly again; but that is truth.

Perhaps, like Marianne Dashwood of "Sense and Sensibility," both horsemen and humanitarians will yet find themselves born to what Jane Austen, for some reason, considered "an extraordinary fate—to discover the falsehood of their own opinions"; but if this does not happen, if it is to be one thing or the other, then I fear that horsemen must become increasingly humanitarian, for I see no reason to hope that humanitarians could ever become decent horsemen.

In the meantime a part of the youth of England continues to ride forth not, as the professional humanitarian would have us believe, like so many young Baron Munchausens (or even Barons Munchausen); they are more in the style of St. George, having

"great dreams before them and deeds as great behind." too, ride forth "knowing humanity their star," asking the same

> choice of the heart's desire, A short life in the saddle, Lord! Not long life by the fire.

Now, if they happen, early on, to meet a humanitarian in the way, it may mean the end of what horsemen call "everything." But it is always on the cards that youth will have

in the way, it may mean the end of what horsemen call "everything." But it is always on the cards that youth will have a nice, quiet, uneventful ride—a quieter ride than St. George has had hitherto; and, when at last they turn their horses' heads for home, it may be that they will merely have grown old enough to realise that long life by the fire has its compensations—provided one can pay for coal.

Let us, however, suppose the worst. Any reference to "Macaulay's New Zealander" (and he is referred to at least once a week) fills me with acute mental nausea, for Macaulay's New Zealander "standing on a broken arch of London Bridge to sketch the ruins of St. Paul's," was, in reality, not Macaulay's—nor a New Zealander. But supposing that Horace Walpole's "traveller from Lima" is due some day to come and take a view of humanitarian England, perching himself for this purpose on the ruins of the kennels of the Quorn? What will he see? Personally, I think he will see the members of the Quorn

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Personally, I think he will see the members of the Quorn Hunt rebuilding the kennels.

In that case it would be rather jolly if they were to find my friend the "Dressed to Kill" artist buried under the ruins, having been overwhelmed in the act of making another of his sketches for a picture entitled "The Senseless Horseman." If that could be arranged, I hope (to finish on a high, humanitarian note) that all horsemen would have enough "sympathy, delicacy or keenness of feeling" not to mind very much if the artist were found to be still alive—and determined to go on kicking.

CRASCREDO. kicking. CRASCREDO.

#### FOUR FAMOUS THOROUGHBREDS

THIS admirable picture of modern racehorses is the work of Mr. Lynwood Palmer. Reading, from left to right, the horses in the foreground are Salmon Trout (winner of the St. Leger, 1924), Diophon (winner of the Two Thousand Guineas, 1924), Pot au Feu (winner of the French Derby, 1924), and Mumtaz Mahal, perhaps the fastest filly seen on English racecourses for many years past. They are the property of the Aga Khan, and by their deeds in 1924 that owner, who has not been racing many years in England and France, headed the list of winning owners in both countries; a remarkable achievement, and, possibly, a record one. All four celebrities are now at the stud. Salmon Trout and Diophon are at the Highclere Stud in Berkshire; Pot au Feu was sold to America, and is either there now or soon will be; while as for Mumtaz Mahal two years time will probably see her first of spring on the racecourse.



SALMON TROUT, DIOPHON, POT AU FEU AND MUMTAZ MAHAL

# The Colleges of Oxford & Cambridge KING'S COLLEGE CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE—III.

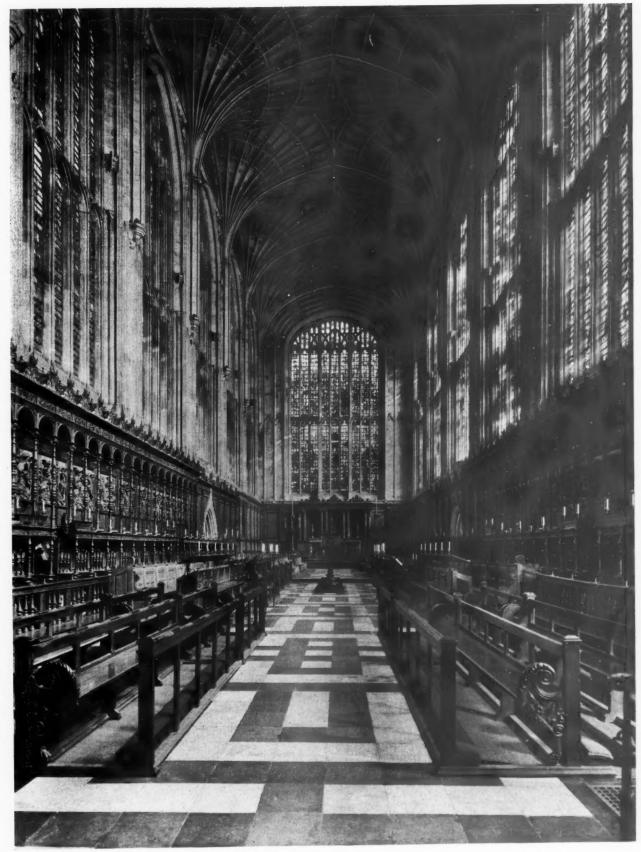
THE CHOIR.

VENING service on a late autumn Sunday in King's Chapel is a ceremony not easily forgotten. Nowhere is religious emotion more artfully induced than by the successive baths of darkness and colour and light and sound through which the worshipper passes. After the serene twilight of the lawns sloping down to the river and the general silvery hue that pervades Cambridge, the ante-chapel is a gigantic cavern of darkness, for all the subdued glowing of the lofty windows and the glints of light on the fan vaults from hidden sources beyond the screen. Against this soft local light the screen and organ are sharply

silhouetted. From the mystery of darkness the votary passes, by a yet darker arch beneath the organ, into the soothing mellowness of the choir. Candles set upon the stalls and seats are the only lighting, and the tenuous candelabra and canopies of the stalls are full of flickering shadows. All Kingsmen wear long surplices, the choir the scarlet cassocks of the chapels royal, and candlelight, cast upwards on white linen, begins to fascinate the unaccustomed eye. At first the stranger can divert his attention to the huge coloured windows and the interlacing circles of the vaults. But as twilight without deepens into night, the stories in the glass fade; the saints



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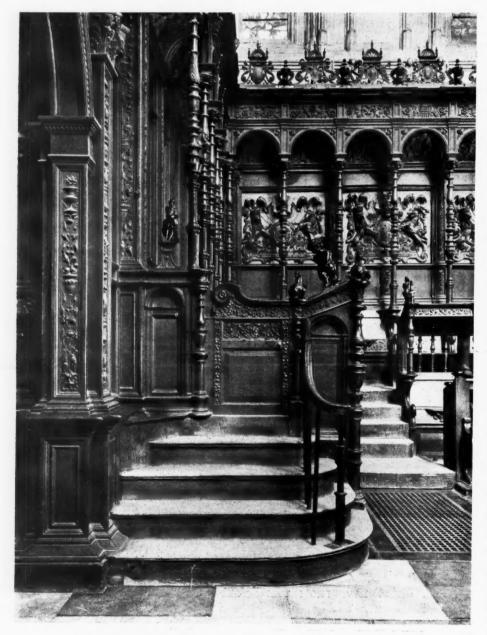
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2.—LOOKING EAST FROM THE SCREEN.

"COUNTRY LIFE."



3.-DETAIL OF THE CANOPIES, VICE-PROVOST'S SEAT.



4.—THE VICE-PROVOST'S SEAT, NORTH OF THE CHOIR DOOR.
The figures on the desk and arm are contemporary (1531-36).

and emperors and ships and cities imperceptibly lose colour, and, with colour, shape. The roof disappears. Far away to the east, across a piece of night, the high altar shows a few yellow points. But at length eye and mind are imprisoned in the little sea of candle-lit surplices rustling like luminous golden foam in a canyon of blackness. Nothing else in the world has reality but the melodious liturgy.

Revisiting the scene by

Revisiting the scene by day, the visitor is free to observe in a less emotional frame of mind. The superb structure itself has been to some extent dealt with in an earlier article, as has that remarkable work of art, the screen. The unparalleled series of stained glass windows that Barnard Flower, the King's glazier, began to execute in 1515 after the pattern of the glass in Henry VII's chapel at Westminster, and which was carried on after Flower's death, in 1525, by Galyon Hoone, Richard Bownde, Thomas Reve and James Nicholson is, in itself, an infinite source of pleasure. King's Chapel and York Minster are alone in England as churches of the first rank retaining their original glazing in its entirety. At the moment, however, we would turn our attention to the less generally appreciated woodwork of the choir, which, like everything else in this marvellous building, stands by itself in the history of art in England. For convenience, we may divide it into four groups. The stalls, generally, and the canopies against the screen are contemporaneous with the screen. The carved heraldic panels above the stalls on the north and south walls date from the reign of Charles I. The stall canopies on the north and south sides, are of 1675–78. And the organ was given its present form in 1688, though incorporating portions of earlier work.

The arrangement of the stalls, in the main, corresponds with the directions laid down by the Founder's will, providing for eighty stalls. Actually, there are only seventy in the upper tiers; but fifty lower stalls were incorporated additionally when the work was actually undertaken circa 1531. There are four stalls either side of the entrance against the screen, which are substantially as they were left by the workmen in 1536 (Fig. 1), of which the most imposing is the Provost's seat. The design may, therefore, be assigned to the same Italians who executed the screen. At the same time the two tiers of stalls with balustraded desks were constructed along the north and south sides, though largely, we may suppose, by English workmen under Italian direction. In

the stalls against the screen the design is an adaptation of that of the west front of the screen. The arabesques of the pilasters are of equal delicacy, and the coving of the canopies more or less repeats that of the screen, both boung freely besprinkled with the initials of Henry VIII and Anne Bolevn.

The Provost's seat is of exceptional richness. The back (Fig. 5) contains a medallion of St. George and the Dragon, above which recline Michelangelesque figures, apparently representing Sea and Land, with, below, a scene representing the desolation wrought by the dragon of evil when still at large epitomised by a child suckling itself at the breast of a dead mother. The idea is not uncommon in Italian renaissance art. In the lunette is a bust of Christ, His right hand raised in benediction. The composition and execution are of superb vigour, particularly in the medallion, and may be confidently ascribed to the sculptor of the "Fall of the Angels" lunette on the screen.

The Vice-Provost's seat (Fig. 4) corresponds to the Provost's, and only lacks the sculptured back. Both are graced with wholly delightful finial figures.

Both are graced with wholly delightful finial figures. On the arm pieces of the seats themselves two male figures are set, that on the Vice-Provost's seat having a billowing cloak, which is executed with an energy approaching Bernini's. On each desk are two putti of exquisite workmanship. That on the Provost's seat turns his head towards that dignitary with all the humility of which a cherub is capable, and seems to be interceding on behalf of the scholars. The outer angles of the desks have grotesque finials, outer angles of the desks have grotesque finials, notably the lion and gryphon grasping shields. The doors to the stalls would seem to be additions of 1633. The richly turned candelabra supporting the canopies, in the case of these two stalls, are further enriched with various motifs, including appliqué figures (Figs. 5 and 6) which crouch on a moulding not quite half way up the outermost candelabra. There seem to have been three in either case, though only two remain on the Vice-Provost's case, though only two remain on the Vice-Provost's side and one on the Provost's. These two seats bear the closest scrutiny, for every detail is admirable in its kind. The arabesques running along the front of the desk (Fig. 9) and at the base of the back panels (Figs. 8 and 10), of some three inches in height, are carved with exquisite vigour and sureness of hand. No less worthy of attention are the undersides of the misericord seats (Fig. 14), which display a fancy as inexhaustible as the best English work of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, with infinitely finer skill. The two principal canopies are surmounted by the Tudor arms and supporters, and the frieze displays a further series of arabesques. The front rail of the stall desks on both north and south walls is also arabesqued and shows no falling off in imagination or skill. The treatment of this double tier of stalls with balustraded parapets (Fig. 12) is exceed-The misericords are chiefly of English work and employ various Gothic motifs of no great interest. The conducts' desks, however, are graced with standard figures, fully equal to those on the Provost's and Vice-Provosts desks (Fig. 13). But immediately above the backs of the seats the sixteenth century work finishes. For a century the wall space was unwainscoted, but appears to have been covered with hangings, the hooks for which still exist below the string-course at the base of the windows. There seems little doubt that it was intended to continue the tabernacle work along both side walls, as was subsequently done. for one reason or another—possibly owing to the withdrawal of the Italians to their own country in

Thomas Weaver, fellow of Eton, about 1620 began—at his own expense—to fit up the chapel there with woodwork, and provided various necessaries such as a Communion cup. The work seems to have been completed by the end of 1623. In 1629 he turned his attention to King's Chapel and, again at his own expense, provided the carved wood backs to the stalls on the north and south sides. Owing to his generosity, the College authorities were put to no expense, so there are no entries in their accounts to tell us who were the craftsmen employed. The sole entries refer to the tips that were given



5.-DETAIL OF THE BACK OF THE PROVOST'S SEAT.



6.—THE PROVOST'S SEAT, SOUTH OF THE CHOIR DOOR.

Designed and executed 1531-36.

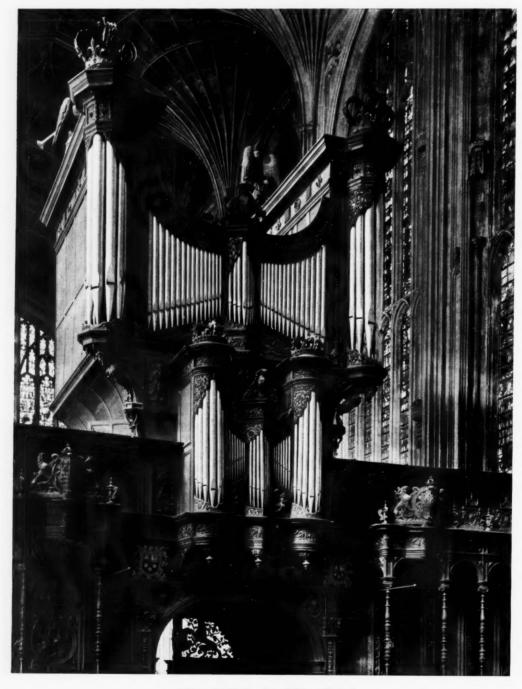
in 1633, "aurigis Magistri Weaver in comportand' le wainscot pro novo Templo," to his servant, his poor scholars, whoever they were, and "ejusdem sculptori," who received a pound. An interesting letter, however, from Weaver to the Provost is in existence that sheds more light. As it is relegated to the appendix of Willis and Clark, having been found only when their great work was in the Press, it may be quoted in full:

Sir. yf myne abilitie were answerable to myne affection to the worthy Fowndacions wherein I have Rd liberall maintenance & education I would not onlie bring Badgers skins, but the thinges of greater value for ye adorning & bewtifying of ye same. But my hope is that God will accept ye will, and that your Worship together with ye worthy Societie will receave with favour what I shalbe able to performe: I have sent the Workeman William Fells a Carver to vieu the Chapell, & according to his skill to advise what is fit to be done, My desyre is

Eton, that the King's work was carried out in the same workshops. At any rate, they were evidently at some distance from Cambridge.

The coats of arms are backed by very vigorously executed mantling. These two series of fifteen coats commemorate Stuart, Tudor and Plantagenet kings, the College, Eton, Oxford and Cambridge. These heraldic panels are separated by pilasters, the carving of which makes some attempt to reproduce the arabesques of the screen. A winged head above each panel arabesques of the screen. A winged head above each panel supports the cornice, where Weaver's work finished. A similarity may be pointed out between these coats of arms largely executed by Fells and that carved by Woodroffe in 1636 on the choir gates.

In 1675, Cornelius Austin, who wainscoted the Combination Room at Clare Hall in 1689, was commissioned to reproduce



7.—EAST FRONT OF THE ORGAN. Largely as erected in 1686-88.

that you would be pleased, to request Sir Sloper to write downe ye platforme and dimensions of height length & breadth of ye worke, proportionable to ye materialls allreadie provided at Eton that the Carver maye bring them with him to helpe his memorie and to direct his proceedings: The Lord blesse you & ye whole Coll:

I have made my Will wherin I have bequeathed one hundred pounds, & the planckes & other materialls for ye finishing of ye intended worke.

May 20. 1629.

Thus we find that William Fells was the principal carver, and, although Weaver's address is not given, it appears possible, from the fact that the woodwork for Eton was executed at

canopies over all the uncovered stalls, thirty on each side, at the price of £5 per canopy. The work is a clever copy of the Henry VIII design, though a comparison of the detail shows the later work to be coarser and more florid, though still of no mean order of skilfulness. The arabesques of the frieze, while repeating the Tudor motifs, lack the fantastic vigour of Italian work, substituting more profuse foliage that is akin to contemporary work both in Italy and England. The difference may be conveniently seen by comparing this frieze and the desk arabesque in Fig. 12. It appears probable that all the crestings



8.—ON THE BACK OF THE VICE-PROVOST'S DESK.



9.—ON THE FRONT OF THE PROVOST'S DESK; ALSO ONE OF THE BRASS CANDLESTICKS.

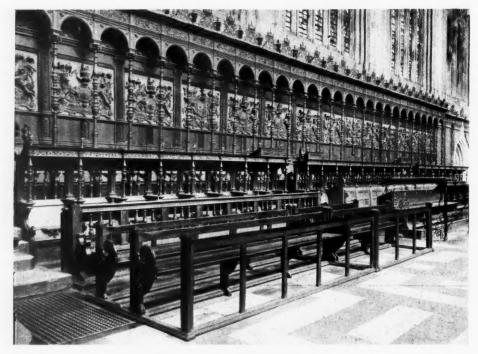


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10.—DETAIL OF THE PROVOST'S SEAT.

Three details of arabesque bands (height about 3ins.), executed 1531-36.

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11.—THE NORTH RANGE OF STALLS.





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12.—NORTH STALLS. THE CANOPIES ERECTED 1675-78.

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belong to this date, with the possible exception of a single one (centre of Fig. 3) which bears the cypher of Henry VIII and has a more elaborate finial. The remainder, though exhibiting considerable variety of treatment, are, clearly, all of one date. It seems likely that the cresting and urns that surmounted the screen stalls, if ever set up, were damaged during the Civil Wars and were replaced at the same time as the new canopies were made.

were made.

Willis and Clarke maintained that an organ was set up on the rood screen in 1605-6 by one Dallam—probably Thomas, the father of three Dallams, famous organ-builders of half a century later. They quote no authority for this position, and there is little doubt that they were misled in assuming it to have been on the screen. It was, in fact, in the third bay from the east end of the choir. We can be definite on this point, and receive some valuable light on others, from a plan (Fig. 15) in the d'Ewes Coke collection at the Royal Institute of British Architects, made by John Smithson bemade by John Smithson between 1605 and, most likely, 1615, to which my attention was very kindly drawn by Dr. M. R. James. The plan shows the two east and the westernmost bays of the chapel as "the Place where they burie in." It was known that the east and west ends were used, and left west ends were used, and left unpaved for this purpose till late in the seventeenth century; but it was thought that the eastern burial place occupied only one bay. The same plan most distinctly shows the organ in the third bay, raised up by steps (gradus Chori), which still exist. There is no altar, but a "table" in the fifth bay immediately east of a "Deske"—no doubt Hacumblen's lectern. This phase of the ritualistic arrangement of the chapel has been hitherto overlooked.

To trace, first, the vagaries of the altar. The original high altar, richly carved and decorated, was set up in 1544-45, and was finally replaced by a plainer one in 1560-61. A pulpit and sounding board were put up in 1570-71. This arrangement gave place to the still more puritanical one shown by Smithson. Of the provosts who could have been responsible for the change, Roger Goad (1569-1610) is by far the most probable. He is known to have sold the "old copes and Popish stuff" which his predecessor had secreted, and with the funds caused "a fair new Library to be made in the Southern side chapels," as shown in the plan, and where it remained till Wilkins built the present library during the nineteenth century. An altar "tablewise" was required by



Copyright. 13.—TWO OF THE HERALDIC PANELS ERECTED BY THOMAS WEAVER, 1629-33.

" G. L."

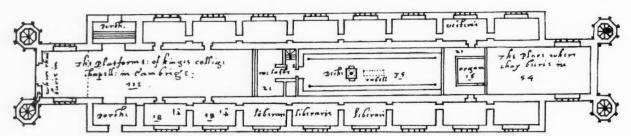
the injunctions both of Edward VI and Elizabeth, but, in the fluctuating state of ecclesiastical politics that prevailed, it is difficult to be certain of the exact date when the change was made at King's. Most likely, the east-end organ and table-wise altar were part of the same rearrangement in 1605–6. In 1634 a new high altar, backed by a screen, was set up, in accordance with the High Church tendencies emanating from Laud, the carpenter being Woodroffe. This screen is stated to have "run quite across ye chapel from ye division of ye 1st and 2nd window," thus confining the retro-altar space to one bay.

An organ was in existence before 1570, when the pipes of "thold organ" were sold for 45s. The case, apparently, was not sold, but, from the evidence of several portions of the existing case, notably the goat-legged satyrs supporting the angle towers (Fig. 7), and the carved reliefs of King David and other personages, was worked into subsequent structures. Dallam's organ appears from the accounts to have had a chair organ, as might be expected from its position east of the altar, if the organist sat with his back to the choir. The whole was taken down during the Civil Wars. After the Restoration several payments are recorded for re-erecting it on the screen. In 1668, Thamar of Peterborough was paid to "mend the organ" and, in 1674, "for setting up a loftier organ." Both these entries are consistent with the view that old portions were re-used. In 1688 René Harris began a new organ, which substantially remains to the present day, though enlarged in 1803 and 1859. At the latter date the Gothic pinnacles with which Essex had surmounted the western towers were removed, and the present angels, copied on a larger scale from those



14.-MISERICORDS AND BACK OF PROVOSTS' SEATS, 1531-36.

Linger Collier chappell:



THE CHAPEL MADE BY JOHN SMITHSON BETWEEN 1605 AND 1615. Reproduced, for the first time, from the Coke collection at the Royal Institute of British Architects.

shown by Loggan as surmounting Harris's organ, were put in their place. The only portion of the decoration that, since 1688, has been subject to change is the high altar. The panelwork east of the stalls, and, presumably, an altar treatment, was carried out in 1678–79. A reredos by Essex, erected 1774, was removed in 1897, when the present appropriate arrangement was made by Mr. Detmar Blow and Mr. Fernand Billerey.

One of the most remarkable objects in the chapel still remains to be noticed: Provost Hacumblen's lectern (Fig. 17).

Robert Hacumblen held that office from 1509 till 1528, and his name is inscribed on the two reading desks. The ridge formed by these is surmounted by a delightful open cresting fashioned in roses and fleurs-de-lis, while the central column supports a statuette of Henry VI. There is no doubt that the whole is of English execution. For our native smiths, at the beginning of the sixteenth century, formed, perhaps, the most go-ahead and competent guild of craftsmen in the country.

Christopher Hussey.



16.-FIGURE OF HENRY VI, SUR-MOUNTING THE LECTERN.



17.-LECTERN GIVEN BY ROBERT HACUMBLEN. Provost 1509-28.

#### "THE FIRST GENTLEMAN-COMPOSER"

THE SCHOLAR-TRAMP: MR. SASSOON'S POEMS: "GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES."

Hubert Parry, by Charles L. Graves. (Macmillan, 2 vols., 30s.) HERE was, I am sure, a great book to be written on Sir Hubert Parry, but Mr. Graves' biography of him is, I think, not such an one. Mr. Graves has, of course, discharged his task with complete honesty and conscientiousness, but his book is, I feel, too much a mere such as the one devoted to the survey of Parry as musician and composer, suffer from the author's modesty. opinions are interesting, needless to say; but in the ultimate resort a biographer, judged by the highest standards—and a book on such a subject and by such an author can only so be judged-must stand or fall by his own capacity for assimilating and summing up opinions, facts, conditions, in a synthesis that commands attention for its own sake.

This, Mr. Graves can hardly be said to have done. Viewed a presentation of everything Sir Hubert said or thought or did in his long life, viewed even as a survey of what many admirers of remarkably diverse kinds said or thought about him, the book leaves little to be desired. Anybody can extract from its pages an excellent portrait of what Parry was, and, I should imagine, will know every fact of importance that bears on his career. But the portrait is not, so to say, definitely framed and hung for the readers' edification, and the important facts are not, perhaps, sufficiently distinguished from the unimportant.

The accident that Sir Hubert kept a diary doubtless led to an excessive insistence on irrelevant details; the first volume, especially, is full of them. When we once have grasped the fact that, as a youngster, the distinguished composer loved games and country pursuits and, as a man, took his duties as a landlord seriously, and was never so happy as on board his yacht, we do not require to know how and when he was thus engaged on every possible occasion: that is to say, if Mr. Graves' biography is to be judged as a work of art. As a work of reference, from which the work of art may yet spring, it could hardly be better. Even so, however, the author is a trifle too discreet. Surely, we might, without treading on anybody's toes, have been told the name of the conductor of the New Philharmonic in 1879 who had a face like "a meat-pie in the window of a Tottenham Court Road eating-shop," and the dashes instead of names throughout the book are little less than exasperating to a non-Victorian reader. Still, this is a matter of taste, and the curious can, in nine cases out of ten, satisfy their curiosity by looking at the nearest musical book of reference. It would be unfair for such a trifle to leave any impression of serious dissatisfaction with Mr. Graves' indefatigable industry and whole-hearted enthusiasm.

Nevertheless, I cannot help feeling that an opportunity was missed in this biography for a synthetic reconstruction of the beginnings of the English Musical Renaissance as bound up with the life and work of Sir Hubert Parry. He, the first gentleman-composer, was a great event, even more than a great composer, and more discussion of the pros and cons of his influence seems—to me, at any rate—clearly indicated. Many important persons, besides some quite unimportant ones, like the writer, would, but for Parry, not have had the opportunity to be concerned with music. What distinctive contribution have all or any of us made to the great cause? Has the English upper middle class—that strange and peculiar phenomenon—stood for anything really valuable in music which cannot be found elsewhere? The fine limitations and the many remarkable qualities of Parry, as individual, are clear from this voluminous book; but the philosophical implication of Parry, as representative of a particular kind of culture and upbringing, is not, I think, sufficiently stressed. Had Mr. Graves, with his scrupulous fairness and benign mind, been gifted also with the constructive analysis of a Lytton Strachey, he might quite possibly have written an immortal book.

Francis Toye.

#### THE UNIVERSITY TRAMP.

Adventures of a Scholar-Tramp, by Glen H. Mullin, with a Foreword by W. H. Davies. (Jonathan Cape, 7s, 6d.)

THE man who returns from the races under the seat of a train, having lost his last penny a-backing of the favourite, sees travel from an unconventional angle. Life is queerly and strangely illumined for him in his dark retreat. He gets the hobo's angle on life. This tramping book is not about walking from workhouse to workhouse, but is almost entirely concerned with "rail-roading," that is, illicit travelling on trains, not, it is true, riding under the seat, but riding on the roofs and under the floors of trains. The name tramp is, perhaps, a misnomer. Glen Mullin and his mates of the road would be dead beat if they had to tramp twenty miles. They cannot work, they cannot walk—they are "scroungers" of the most worthless kind. They drop off the trains at little towns and "batter" back doors for

free meals, telling "fairy stories," "hard-luck" stories, hoping, it seems, to meet fat women, for there is a legend that fat women always feed you well. Many will read the adventures of Glen Mullin with a feeling of righteous indignation. He tells of a class worse than those content to live on the dole. There is no dole in the United States, so, perhaps, one ought to call 'Frisco and the rest worse than the dolers. In good old England, having vowed never to work, they would still, perhaps, draw their unemployment pay. Glen Mullin, however, is a University man who went hobo-ing to see what it was like, to gain experience of life. So all praise to him. Few would care to rough it as he has done just to get a measure of reality. He had, apparently, been exposed at one time to an American college course, and quotes the classics with unpleasant irrelevance, but he has steeped himself so well in hobo lore that the language of tramps triumphs entirely over the language of dons. One thing in the book is difficult to swallow: he makes some of these American down-and-outs quote Milton and discuss modern philosophy. That is really absurd, and his most thrilling story of riding an express train on the rods below the carriages is more credible than that. The tradition of Jack London is to make tramps and gaol-birds discourse on Herbert Spencer and Kant. The author's own literary interests spill over the character-drawing of others: and that is unfortunate. A genuine tramp who has a genuine interpretation when found. We know the old-fashioned stone breaker with Burns' poems in his pocket; we also know the doss-house character ex-literary man. But these are exceptional cases. It is a pity to give the impression that the ragged army of hirsute and dirry vagrants who wander over the face of America have any thought in their heads beyond "grub" and "booze" and "cops," luck in begging, hard luck with the police, etc. It would be quite worth while to read Glen Mullin's Adventures of a Scholar-Tramp in company with W. H. Davies' "A

Rambles and Reflections, by A. C. Benson. (Murray, 10s. 6d.)
IN a foreword Mr. E. F. Benson explains that these essays by his brother were written chiefly during the last two years of his life. The work of selection has now been done with understanding and sympathy, so that what emerges from the book is what should always emerge from a book of essays—a distilled fragrance of its author's best characteristics. Sincerity, gentleness, tolerance, love of beauty and an easy yet scrupulous style combine to bring before us an attractive personality, and, in addition, the author, who met most of the celebrated figures of his time, has a fund of interesting and amusing recollections on which to draw. The earlier essays are thoughtful, and always individual, comments on places or aspects of nature. Then comes the best thing in the book, an excellent essay, with the excellent title of "Artisticism," which is Mr. Benson's name for an evil arising out of the "disastrous mixture of culture and wealth" For people who are both rich and cultured tend to think that art is an exotic thing which they may purchase and possess. "The radical mistake of artisticism is to believe that it can get the emotion without the strain, and that it can float tranquilly in the enjoyment which visits the true artist only in awful and blinding flashes of joy." Whereas "beauty must grow outwards from an inward vitality, as the velvety cheek of the peach is evolved from its rugged core." That is a thing that needed saying, a fine thing finely said. Then follow kindly but penetrating studies of Carlyle, Coleridge, Gissing and others; an essay called "Fitton," which reduces the reader to tears of helpless laughter; another on "Aristocracy," which is only second in value to "Artisticism"; and many shrewd, experienced essays on the art of living, as exemplified by social pleasures, public ceremonies and conversation. Finally, there are true and tender things about friendship, illness and death, the whole making up a book that has a sense of completeness Rambles and Reflections, by A. C. Benson. (Murray, 10s. 6d.)

Stewart Headlam: A Biography, by F. G. Bettany. (Murray, 10s. 6d.)
FOR those of us to whom the figure of Stewart Heedlam was a usual sight, and to us also who realised the value of the heart of fire which he bore in his breast, a critical biography must bring with it a difficulty. We are prejudiced, willingly and consciously prejudiced, and wish to allow only the finest qualities and the most noble to the wonderful

man who, if we were in the habit of canonising our contemporaries, would certainly be one of the most prominent saints of the East End. However, Mr. Bettany has tried to put before us not a stained glass window design, but a very human picture of a man impulsive, violent, unwise sometimes, terrible to his enemies, probably too blind to defects in his friends, whose long life was one long battle for "the under dog," whose very generosity and fearlessness brought him unmerited persecution just as the same qualities gave him unique power in his later years upon questions of popular education. Mr. Bettany has done well. He is frank without offence, and reserved where austerity is demanded. The great value of the book lies in the quotations from letters from Mr. Headlam's fellow-workers and friends, which include some from Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells, Lady St. Helier and Bishop C. J. Ridgeway, among the rest, and also in that Mr. Headlam, with customary openness and singleness of aim, had actually written some notes for his own biography, which is, in one sense, a great romance. His burning protests against the Puritan attitude of the bishops, his grief that others could not realise his aims, his passion for beauty and art, his thousand activities, his never-failing interest in all that went on round him, his warm heart; in a word, his strong and beautiful personality made him, indeed, the beloved of the East London populace. Could one venture to imagine the inner workings of his mind as Browning saw those of Bishop Blougram and "Mr. Sludge," what material were here for a tragedy or perhaps a magnificent epic. M. D. S.

Satirical Poems, by Siegfried Sassoon. (Heinemann, 3s. 6d.)

MR. SASSOON'S mind has lost none of its generous warmth, his pen none of its bite since the war; but these poems have all been written during the last seven years, and occasions calling for satire are, of course, neither as plentiful nor as poignant now as they were then. Hence, though we still chuckle delightedly over the author's palpable and polished hits, it is with much interest that we read of his intention to make his next volume "a book of entirely serious verse." For Mr. Sassoon has never been a satirist pure and simple; he has always been a poet first, a satirist second; his satire is the expression of a poet's fierce revolt against cruelty of deed, woolliness of word, hypocrisy of thought. It is the gleeful satirist, for instance, who writes of the opening of Wembley and of the "megaphone-microphone-magnified voice of the King," but it is in the poet that "something inward aspires," on that same day, to words of Blake sung by massed choirs under the conductorship of Elgar; the satirist notes that "the Press was collecting its clichés," the poet observes that—

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In short, Mr. Sassoon (to our great advantage) has never been able to keep his poetry out of his satire; but, the whole being greater than the part, it seems likely that he will now be able to "bring off" poetry—not in isolated instances, but in volume form—without invoking the aid of his satire. Meanwhile, there are many good things in this latest collection, plums for the picking, unforgettable plums such as the Grand Hotel—

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"World-famed beyond the costliest Prima Donna
Who ever gargled a Puccini shake,"

and the complete portrait of Sargent—appreciation and criticism in
one—which is contained in the six words, "the brilliant boredom of
his brush." Mr. Sassoon's passion for music, which has already given
us the loveliest and best known of all his poems, is constantly evident
here; so, too, is his intrepid political faith, which will cause some
readers to see almost as red as during the war, but will help others to
see "green, the colour of hope," for a post-war world.

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Quantification of the world does not know how the other half lives errs on the side of under-statement, is the impression left by this "Illuminating Diary of a Professional Lady," which has gone into eleven editions in America since it appeared last November, and promises to be equally popular here. Our Blonde, whose occupation is, in the language of her native country, that of "gold digger," is a young person of infinite resource and sagacity, coupled with an almost complete absence of heart, and a very sound head, at least where her own interests are concerned. "Kissing your hand makes you feel good," she remarks of the manners of her French acquaintances, "but a diamond bracelet lasts for ever." Though the title conveys with extraordinary fidelity the atmosphere in which she breathes, no reasonably broad-minded reader will find her diary suggestive. It is as naïve on its own plane as was "The Young Visiters" on another. It is because the Blonde's combined sophistication and ignorance produce some exquisitely funny writing rather than for its story or daring, that it is being read on all sides. The Blonde's friend, Dorothy, who is by way of being a wit, but, as the other remarks, "speaks their own language to unrefined people better than a refined girl like I," is sometimes a little too clever for her verbally—as when the Blonde is duly grateful for her championship, expressed in the words, "Lady, you could no more ruin my girl friend's reputation than you could sink the Jewish fleet"—but it is the Blonde who scores materially every time. Their adventures in America, in England—where they meet the Prince of Wales, go into Society, and are asked to buy shell-flowers, dogs or tiaras by every hostess—Paris, Munich and Vienna, are likely to provide the right quotations for light-hearted conversation for some time to come.

Fairy Gold, by Compton Mackenzie. (Cassell, 7s. 6d.)

IN spite of the fact that Fairy Gold is buttressed with the very real war, with a few real characters, and with a good deal of humour, there is something just too fanciful about it as a whole. True, we can believe almost any good things of an island; but that it can keep a large and elaborately symbolical garden in a constant state of flowering perfection by its own volition (for the owner of the island was in extreme financial straits and employed only a skeleton staff) is really not one of them. And the garden incident is rather characteristic of the whole. Moreover, can it be that someone—or something, possibly "The Oxford Book of English Prose"—has been making Mr. Compton Mackenzie a little too conscious of the fact that he once wrote charmingly about a garden? We fear it may be so, for in Fairy Gold charm is too often replaced by fine writing. The islands of Roon and Carrackoon are

clearly romantic, but they are also romanticised. The same faint unreality and exaggeration pursue most of the characters, whether good or bad; but an exception is the natural and attractive child, Venetia Romare. It is seldom that a novelist thinks it worth while to portray a girl in her 'teens, and when he does, he rarely makes a success of it. But Venetia is a success, in deed and word. So is the war part of the book, which gets effective fun out of the red tape constantly encumbering the feet of the miniature garrison on Roon. Having complained of romanticism, it may seem captious to complain of realism, too; yet, surely, it is an unpleasing innovation for an author's next book to be advertised, not on title-page or wrapper, but in a footnote incorporated with the text? At any rate, no sooner does this footnote come in at the door than fairy gold flees, quite desperately and finally, out of the window.

V. H. F.

Eros, by J. A. T. Lloyd. (Stanley Paul, 7s. 6d. net.)

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A QUEER, tantalising book, flecked with genius as a dark pool with patches of sunlight, is Mr. J. A. T. Lloyd's Eros. This story of a composer's struggle to escape the slavery of Eros and to express his dream of beauty in musical form has made us long to ask its author a question. Is it deliberately, typifying a chaotic age, that he has left form out of this composition—given prominence to so many unimportant characters, crowded so many incidents into the rather arbitrary righting of wrongs in the last chapter? Or has the size of his theme been too much for his sense of proportion? For there are many conflicts going on besides that in the soul of Claude Nugent. There is the struggle of music against jazz, of true values against money values, of Klebert, who chose to be buried "among the very poor," and the "honest-to-God," highbrow-hating Vander. There are four women in Claude's life, and of these Gwen, the one he marries in a moment of aberration, lives the most exuberantly for us in all her tawdry vulgarity. Iris, the brainmate, is an elusive, shadowy figure throughout, Ann is an episode merely, and Mona, the sensualist, is true to her predatory type. Between them, Claude lived through the ever changing moods of a creative artist, trying to break free from the shackles of relationship and circumstance. His introspectiveness gives a jerky effect to the narrative, but from it emerges a portrait wonderfully distinct, losing nothing from the fact that we are not once told even the colour of his eyes or hair.

Brown Smock: The Tale of a Tune, by C. R. Allen. (Warne, 7s. 6d.)

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IT is a saying that it takes all sorts and conditions of men to make a world, and it is just as true that it takes all kinds of books to keep that world satisfactorily supplied with reading. The reflection arises in regard to \*Brown Smock\*, because, though by no means a book intended for children or young people, it is, on the whole, younger in its tone, more ingenuous and simple than the average novel, and, as a matter of fact, extremely difficult to place, yet a book that is certain to delight its particular type of reader. It is the story of Terry Hood, a child of the people who has abnormal gifts as a pianist, and is enabled to train them through the generosity and understanding of a blind poetess. He loves a girl, who accepts his chivalrous service, but in the end dismisses him, and ultimately does his best work as a composer when only his music is left to him and the stewardship of his benefactress's estate in the interest of other unfortunate children. A charming old only his music is left to him and the stewardship of his benefactress's estate in the interest of other unfortunate children. A charming old house, Sedgeway Manor, is the scene of much of the story, and the "Brown Smock" of the title is a happy child spirit who haunts its fields and makes friends with chosen ones among the children who come there. Many of the characters are pleasant and well drawn, and though the story rather lacks the shadows of real life, there will, no doubt, be found many readers to appreciate the gentle charm of its sunshine.

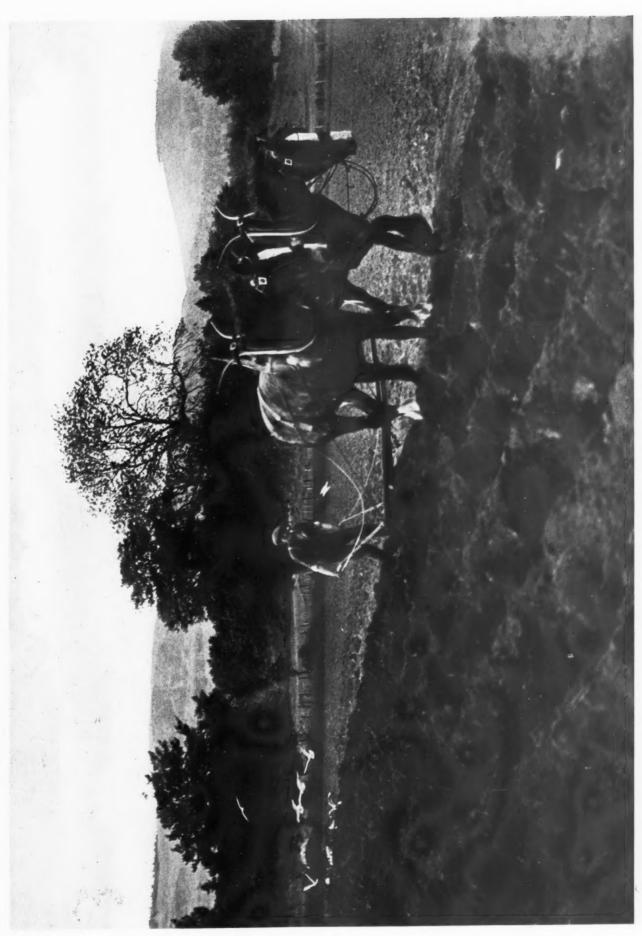
The Happy Meddler, by G. B. Stern and Geoffrey Holdsworth. (Ward Lock, 7s. 6d.)
RICHARD SPURNEVILLE CAREW, forty-three, bearded, unconventional, in company with his freckled half-sister Jane, roams the country in an up-to-date caravan, and finds pleasure and occupation, not unaccompanied by mild thrills, in "butting" into the private lives and happenings of sundry rural dwellers. Carew commences operations on Adonijah Hawkins, village barber, who is engaged to one, Mabel, whose romantic soul jibs at the conventionalities of village life, and longs to see her Adonijah in the rôle of mediæval knight errant. To this end, Carew, now shorn of his beard, attaches the not unwilling barber to the caravan party and proceeds to upset the apple-cart of his hitherto immaculate, if not exciting tonsorial life, his object being to detach the little man from the clutches of Mabel, with whom he is certain Adonijah cannot possibly be happy. How this happened is amusingly told. Of all the thirteen episodes in the book we like "Lords and Ladies" best, although the other twelve are written in a pleasant, whimsical style, not unpleasing. The book is purely ephemeral and may serve to while away a tedious railway journey without overtaxing the brain unduly.

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(A selection of recommended books published before the General Strike is included here for the convenience of readers.)

A HISTORY OF CRICKET, by H. S. Altham (Allen and Unwin, 16s.);
Oxford v. Cambridge at the Wicket, by P. F. Warner and F. S. Ashley-Cooper (Allen and Unwin, 5s.); Swinburne, by Harold Nicholson (Macmillan, 5s.); Herman Melville, by John Freeman (Macmillan, 5s.); Recollected in Tranquillity, by John Freeman (Macmillan, 5s.); Recollected in Tranquillity, by Janet E. Courtney (Heinemann, 2s. 6d.); A Mirror to France, by Ford Madox Ford (Duckworth, 8s. 6d.); Stewart Headlam, by F. G. Bettany (Murray, 10s. 6d.); My Life as an Explorer, by Sven Hedin (Cassell, 25s.); Two or Three Graces, by Aldous Huxley (Chatto and Windus, 7s. 6d.); The Charmoman's Standow, by Lord Dunsany (Putnam, 7s. 6d.); Goodly Pearls, by George A. Birmingham (Hodder and Stoughton, 7s. 6d.); Kullu of the Carts, by John Eyton (Arrowsmith, 7s. 6d.); Odtaa, by John Masefield (Heinemann, 7s. 6d.); The Heart of a Goof, by P. G. Wodehouse (Jenkins, 7s. 6d.); Inspector French and the Chefyne Mystery, by F. Wills Crofts (Collins, 7s. 6d.); The Murray Gilchrist (Faber and Gwyer, 8s. 6d.); The Venetian Glass Nephew, by Elinor Wylie (Heinemann, 7s. 6d.); The Pool, by Anthony Bertram (Allen and Unwin, 7s. 6d.).



THE SCOTTISH FARMER'S PRIDE.

#### **SEDGEMOOR**

CAME, one dusk, to Sedgemoor side, that land of vanished moor and fen, when the afterglow was a wash of apple-green beyond the Isle of Athelney, and flitter-mice played foolish games about the willows. Now, Sedgemoor will tell you little enough if you cross the hillsides above it a car, whose headlights cut yellow lanes through the dusk, whose wheels spurn flints that the Neolith knew. Sedgemoor, like all else in England that is English, retreats before such things. Lands that remember the thunder of old battles, the slow peace of centuries and voices of Saxon and Gael, of Dane and Norman will not be wooed by smells and petrol.

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You must come simply, a traveller on foot. Wiser still, come at dusk, when men are by their firesides and the spirits of the old places wake. Then, perhaps, the lost heart of England—the England that hides in the little lanes and the eighteenth century fields with double hedges, on the high moors and the fen wastes—will give you some small sense of all that those having eyes see not.

That was relye as a second of the saxon and Gael, of Dane and Gael,

That was why, as we came over the crest of the Polden Hills and looked out over that grey, mist-drowned plain where a

Hills and looked out over that grey, mist-drowned plain where a King once lay in hiding and a usurper was beaten in fight, it came to me that here was a place where a man might walk alone under the stars and learn more of his own land.

So to Glastonbury and its broken beauty, and thence, next day, by foot to the moor where the long, flat lands sweep down to Athelney, and little more than the voices of plover and cattle break the silence. It is a strange, lost land by day, prooding on its memories of meres and waterways but infairly. brooding on its memories of meres and waterways, but infinitely stranger by night.

One's imagination slipped back to those far days one thousand and forty-eight years ago, when Alfred lay hid in the isle and the Danes swept westward over his kingdom. In that reed-girt isle amid the willows the King sat heavy with his thoughts, while the cakes burned (it may not be good history, but who would deny it?) until suddenly, the housewife returned and—

. caught a cake Yet burning from the bar
And struck him suddenly on the face, Leaving a scarlet scar. . King Alfred stood up wordless, A man dead with surprise And torture stood and the evil things That are in the childish hearts of kings An instant in his eyes.

Then outside, in just such an Easter dusk as that when I walked upon those levels, the King heard his friends draw near, Colan the Gael, Ældred the Saxon and Mark the Roman. Humour came back to him then, the King's eyes lightened and-

Alfred laughed out suddenly, Like thunder in the spring, Till shook aloud the lintel beams And the squirrels stirred in dusty dreams And the startled birds went up in streams, For the laughter of the king.

And the beasts of the earth and the birds looked down In a wild solemnity On a stranger sight than a sylph or elf

On a man laughing at himself Under the greenwood tree I like that fantasy of Mr. Chesterton's-it ran pleasantly

I like that fantasy of Mr. Chesterton's—it ran pleasantly in my mind as I walked that night on the quiet, mist-ridden miles where once the great West Saxon was a living, virile force, the ruler and leader of his day. Sedgemoor and the flat lands which lie about it seem to keep alive some brooding sense of the reality of that day. Time stands still there.

It is easy to walk on those roads along which no car can travel far, and, when you are alone in the dusk, with the moon like a drowned face in the water of the "rhines," and the tousle-headed willows grotesque in the mist, to go back in thought to that night in 1685 when the men of "King Monmouth," having marched hard from Bridgwater, crept across the moor, searching for the men of the "other King" under Feversham and Churchill—until that unknown but historic bumpkin fell into a "rhine," discharged his musket, gave the alarm, and so, we are told, started the battle which ended in the wreck of Monmouth's hopes and, eventually, the loss of his head.

There are strange tales told, even to this day, of the ghosts who walk that battlefield and of the men and women who died that year of 1685 under the tortures of the "Bloody Judge." I know one man who told me that as he, with two others, rode in a farmer's gig across the moor to Weston one night, their horse was seized of a sudden fright at a bend in the road and shied violently, backing the gig into the ditch.

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He jumped out and went to the animal's head, and as he did there swept round the corner a man on a great horse, black as death. A cloak swept in the wind like a cloud from his shoulders,



"THAT GREY MIST-DROWNED PLAIN."

a sword swung at his side, and his hat was a rich hat, of the three-cornered sort, a good setting to the pale, strained face beneath it—a face whose eyes stared into the night with the fear of death.

Horse and man passed like a gust of wind—yet with no sound—and fled on over the moor until suddenly they swept

sound—and fied on over the moor until suddenly they swept right-handed where there was no road, and galloped high in the air over a stream where there was no bridge.

And on the farther bank, where the moon showed man and horse against the skyline, there came a flash as of pikes, a red dagger of fire, the horse reared like a shot thing, and the rider flung up his arms and fell headlong. Then the vision passed

The man who told me this thing is a scholar and a Scot,

an Oxonian with more Sanskrit than superstition in him, yet he held that this vision was no vision, but a true happening. I do not know to what time of war that ambush on the lost road and the vanished bridge belonged, but it had the stamp of truth as he told it.

truth as he told it. He spoke as a man who had seen it.

It is not difficult to imagine these things on Sedgemoor when the day is dim, for Sedgemoor soil, like that of nearly all England, seems to have a peculiar property of preserving a sense of the past. That sense is something very like reality for those who have the wit to understand it.

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There are many lands that, like Sedgemoor, refuse to be tamed. Men may set shackles of hedge and road upon them, stub up broom and heather, fell their immemorial trees, drain their ancient meres and lay dry the fens where once the Will danced and the bittern thundered hoarsely in the night, but the face of the land keeps always a sullen defiance. Corn may grow and ploughs travel their unending pilgrimages upon it, but the heart of the land remains. Only its face is changed, and that not fully. A mask is set upon it.

Marsh and fen and the high heathlands keep true to themselves the longest. The woodland is more easily tamed. Fell the trees, fence the meadows, prison the brook, set cattle about in Arnesby Brown groups and you have a pretty English pastoral. After a few years, hedge and ditch, plough and pasture and each

neatly fenced, well tamed covert will take on that prim prettiness which makes of English shires a very pleasant garden.

Not so with the flat, black fenlands that run on under the high skies of East Anglia, with always a hint of the sea to lure you, the immensity of great spaces to teach you your own littleness, and a whisper still of meres and reed beds in the flight of the heron against the sky, the stoop and wheel of lapwings over the river washes. There is no prettiness there—only an abiding sense of vastness and grim, defiant subjection. You know that the land bears a face not its own. Every square ugly vard tells it.

Go then to the high wolds where the bare slopes run hugely to the sky, a lone tree stands cut clear against the edge of the world and the murmur of sheep is a tiny sound in the arc of earth and sky, and ask yourself if such a land—though the corn run golden like a sea to meet the green upon its farther slopes—if such a land has lost its soul.

Go also to the sea-marshes of the coast where the plough labours on acres where once the samphire grew and rooks stoop where the wild geese once fed. Always the answer is the same. It is in the night and at dusk and dawn that the soul of the

land is laid most bare, the centuries fade and the old voice speaks.

Some subtle change, which we know not in our alchemies, comes then upon the tamed places of the earth. They mutter in the night, very softly, of the ancient things they knew, and stir in dreams at memories that once were great realities. The stir in dreams at memories that once were great realities. The wind whispers in a new voice, the sounds of the creeping things that go in the night become pregnant with a new meaning, and the weep of plover, the hoot of owls, the sliding of waters are potent to teach a man his own timidity. Even the clouds which slide across the moon seem to be in the conspiracy to scare.

Bad enough when one is in a well ordered, ruled-by-thumb home country—but on the fenland flats or the houseless heath, a time of very real hobgoblin imaginings.

Perhaps that is why, after all, I walked not so far on Sedgemoor that night as I had promised myself in the broad light of day.

J. Wentworth Day.

#### **MARROW-STEM** THE KALE

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the marrow-stem kale is an outstanding example. This plant is a hybrid between thousand-headed kale and kohl-rabi, combining the desirable properties of both these crops. Thus, from the first mentioned parent it inherits the capacity of producing a large number of leafy shoots and which in particular are concentrated towards the top of the stem, while from the other parent it derives its thickened and fleshy stem, which is fairly soft and readily appreciated by stock. Often called by the name French kale, by reason of its being first appreciated in that country, there is a certain amount of uncertainty as to whether it was not in reality an English production in the first place.

The reasons which have contributed to its success are many. Thus, the whole of the edible portion grows above ground and therefore provides clean food. As a crop it is definitely suitable for cattle, sheep, pigs and poultry, and, therefore, has a very wide range of usefulness. For dairy cattle the great value of this crop rests in the provision of succulent food of high feeding value in autumn and up to Christmas, though in the milder parts of the country it is capable of standing through till spring. This enables successional sowings to be made, and the crop, therefore, fits in with intensive systems of cropping the land. When fed to dairy cows it is a very convenient crop to handle, and can be carted on to the pastures or fed indoors. In some cases, advantage has been derived from chaffing, while in other cases the cows have grazed the crop in the field.

As a sheep food, it is a very suitable crop for the heavier soils, and especially in a wet season. In feeding value kale is superior to swedes or turnips, so that an economy is effected in concentrated foods, while it is not so liable to cause scouring as the usual root crops. The fact that the crop is tall growing, reaching a height of 4ft., with a large leaf and root area, provides shelter both from wind and rain, and the ground is incidentally kept drier. From the economic standp

As a general farm crop it finds favour on the grounds that the same care is not necessary as in the case of turnips and the same care is not necessary as in the case of turnips and swedes, while it is a good drought resister, and gives good results on a wide range of soils and does well wherever other root crops can be grown. There are two principal varieties, viz., the green and the purple. The former is the more vigorous in growth and the more popular, but the purple type if slower in growing is hardier and better suited for very late use, particular in parts where the climate is more severe. Comparing the all-round usefulness of the crop with that of thousand-headed kale, the marrow-stem type is not nearly so hardy or so reliable when frost comes, and this applies particularly to the north of England.

So far as the cultivation and preparation of the ground is so far as the cultivation and preparation of the ground is concerned, this need not be so thorough as with land required for roots, though, in many cases, the crop occupies a portion of the root break and, therefore, receives similar preparation. In other cases the crop can follow another crop where the cultivations are reduced to a minimum. Thus, one successful Derbyshire farmer regularly takes the crop after early potatoes. The lifting of these potatoes usually commences about June 25th. As soon as a convenient area is cleared it is given one stroke with the springtine harrow and another with the spiked-chain harrow, the seed then being broadcasted at the rate of 4lb. per acre and covered by one stroke of the chain harrow. In this instance, on account of the heavy manuring given to the potatoes, the only manuring applied to the kale is an occasional top-dressing

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In practice there are wide variations in the methods of growing. Under the majority of southern conditions, the crop is drilled on the flat. The distance between the rows is very variable, the average being 15ins. to 21ins. apart, but, under clean conditions, the crop can be profitably grown in narrower drills. When grown on the ridge, preference should be given to the 24-25in. width. The quantity of seed utilised is from 3lb. to 4lb. The crop is usually thinned out, leaving 9ins. to 12ins. between each plant. Some growers are finding that for the purpose of dairy cow feeding there is no need to thin out the plants in the rows, the advantages being that though the stem is not so thick, it does not become so tough.

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The time to sow the seed depends largely on the period of use. Thus, it can be assumed that about six months are required for growth until maturity is reached. In general, successional breaks can be sown, starting from March and continuing until the middle of July.

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#### ELECTRO-CULTURE INVESTIGATIONS.

The Rothamsted investigations on electro-culture which have been carried out since 1918 under the direction of the Electro-Culture Committee, under the chairmanship of Sir John Snell, appear to be leading to results of an interesting character. It has previously been ascertained under field experimental conditions that an increased yield of 20 per cent. on the average might be expected when certain springsown cereals were subjected to a high tension discharge of 10,000 to 20,000 volts. Furthermore, electrification has accelerated reproductive

growth much more markedly than vegetative growth. It has also been shown that in general a better result is obtained by electrification for a period less than that of the whole growing season, as for example, six hours a day with moderate currents, while during the past year successful results have been obtained by applying the discharge for the first two months.

Perhaps one of the outstanding results last year in the pot-culture tests was that low voltages (1,000 volts and under), continuously applied, produced as good as, and in some cases better, results as high voltages (10,000 to 20,000). There is in this new discovery the basis for further field work which from the economic standpoint will be distinctly more interesting, as well as valuable.

#### FOUR WOMEN ON TREK



CROSSING THE RIVER LIMPOPO.

OUTH AFRICA offers the traveller every variety of transport. At one extreme there is the train de luxe as exhibited at Wembley, complete with wagon-lits and restaurant car, and destined to rush the diamond and gold kings from Cape Town up to Durban or Johannesburg; while descending the scale of Kaffir mails, mixed trains, lorries and motor cars, one arrives at the primitive ox-wagon, lumbering up country at two miles an hour, carrying the Dutch farmer and his kaffirs over veld and through bush, into dongas and over kopjes. The tourist will, doubtless, choose the Rand Express and retain a pleasant memory of excellent meals, delicious wine and comfortable beds, with, possibly, a soupçon of dust—just sufficient to remind him that he is not in the Train Bleu or the Flying Scotsman; the traveller will choose a less rapid and possibly less comfortable means of locomotion—but, incidentally, he will see Africa.

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These considerations led us to adopt a Ford as our means of transport for a visit to the Transvaal and Rhodesia. Here we felt was the via media, for though we spurned the Bulawayo express by reason of its speed and luxury, yet, in order to accomplish the journey in an ox-wagon, the three weeks at our disposal would have to be extended to as many months. In case the reader may suspect that this article is merely a camouflaged advertisement for Mr. Ford, I may say at once that our choice of car was governed by two principles only, possession and portability. We owned a Ford, and at times we were thankful it was not a Rolls-Royce, especially when the need for portability arose!

arose!

And what is the attraction of the country we proposed to visit? To the dull and unimaginative, Rhodesia may appear as the land of mosquitoes, jigger fleas, tropical diseases and great heat. But for us there was, indeed, romance in the thought that we were following almost in the identical tracks of the pioneer band who less than forty years ago had hacked their way through bush and forest to the land of promise, inspired and sustained by the vision and genius of Cecil Rhodes. Almost every place-name is associated with some act of heroism: Bulawayo recalls the picture of Dr. Jamescn, unsupported and unarmed amid

and unarmed amid a horde of blood-thirsty savages, withstanding the treacherous Matabele King, Lo Bengula; the Shangani River evokes the memory of the unavailing heroism of Major Wilson and his companions; the Zambezi reminds us of the explorations of Livingstone, Stanley and Selous. Who would not wish to see the wonders of the Victoria Falls, the splendid isolation

of Cecil Rhodes' lonely grave among the Matapos Hills, and the mysterious ruins of Great Zimbabwi? Who has read" Jock of the Bushveld" and not felt the fascination of the veld and the bush country—the open spaces, the huge distances and, above all, the variety and abundance of game?

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All these experiences were to be ours—but at a price. For in abandoning the usual train journey we were rejecting the known for the unknown, and for twelve hundred miles we were to follow tracks through wild and almost uninhabited country. The railway line goes by Johannesburg and Mafeking through Bechuanaland, but our way lay some two hundred miles to the east, by Pietersburg and Messina, across the Limpopo River and through a country of scrub bush, sand and rock to the Matapos Hills and Bulawayo. Rumour had it that there was a road by this route, but we were never able to meet anybody who had actually used it, and our friends predicted every variety of disaster for us. The journey had never been undertaken before by women alone without male escort, therefore it was prophesied we would be eaten by lions and crocodiles and attacked by natives. Even the most hopeful of them warned us that we should lose our way, break down, or get engulfed in the sand, and there die a slow death from the intense heat and lack of water.

But these warnings fell on heedless ears. Early one September morning we packed into our Ford, turned her bonnet to the north, and the great trek began! To say that we "packed in" hardly describes the situation, for by the time the four passengers and their possessions had been installed, "bulged out" would be a more suitable description. In addition to a suitcase apiece for personal belongings, we had to carry a variety of other necessaries—sleeping bags against a night in the veld, provisions and drink for four days, and sacks and wire netting to get us out of the sand. The Ford herself claimed a good share of our available space, for we had to carry enough petrol, oil and water to take us over the first five hundred miles, to say nothing of spare wheels and parts. Then there were the inevitable "oddments"—cameras, field-glasses, thermos bottles—and, in deference to our pessimistic friends, a minute pocket Browning

pocket Browning (not the poet) to deal with the lions. It seemed quite impossible to fit everything in, and we were almost in despair when someone had a brilliant inspiration that sacks might solve the problem — and they did. We seized every available one, filled it to the full, and then corded it on to the running board. Someone remarked that we appeared to be



ON THE UPPER ZAMBESI.

carrying several corpses and, incidentally, not one of the doors could be used, and we could only reach our seats by complicated acrobatics—but what of that, the transport question had been

The first part of our journey through the Transvaal needs no description, for it was only typical of the average South African main road—that is to say, an occasional smooth stretch of going when you accelerated to 30 m.p.h. and felt you were winning the Grand Prix, and then a series of spruits which, in spite of the hasty application of both brakes, generally resulted in all the passengers cracking their skulls against the hood supports. I may add that we have experienced the terrors of small game, particularly locusts, and they proved a far greater danger than all the big game of Rhodesia. Indeed, the only moment when we (anyway consciously) appeared to be in danger of our lives was when a large fat locust began to climb up the legs of the driver, who thereupon completely lost her head and narrowly escaped dashing the car and its occupants to perdition.

With the crossing of the Limpopo—Kipling's "great grey-

with the crossing of the Limpopo—Kipling's "great greygreen, greasy Limpopo"—our adventures began in earnest. The river can never be crossed by a car under its own power, so we had arranged for donkeys to be ready to tow us across. Needless to say, the donkeys failed to put in an appearance, and, what is more, the Main Drift was reported impassable owing to accumulations of sand. A native pointed vaguely up-stream, and we remembered having heard mention of another drift some two miles away known as Dicky Dicks. So we turned aside into the scrub, and, following a track along the river bank, we set out to discover the whereabouts of Mr. Dicky Dick. Through bush and grass, over rocks and through sand we ploughed our way, only to find that our donkeys were not waiting for us here. The situation was becoming serious. But before long it was solved by the appearance of a Dutch farmer,

serious. But before long it was solved by the appearance of a Dutch farmer, who was outspanning near by. Would he tow us across? Yes, he would for twenty-five shillings. His natives began to collect the donkey team—then scattered for the day's grazing—and before long we were being towed along in majestic solemnity by twelve donkeys. An almost perpendicular dip brought us down into the deep sand of the river bed, extending for several hundreds of yards, then came the river itself, shrunk by the long months of drought to a glorified stream. The crocodiles which usually infest the river had been forced to take refuge in the deep pools which usually infest the river had been forced to take refuge in the deep pools some miles lower down; only a solitary secretary bird flapped his great wings and wheeled away at our approach. The opposite bank needed the combined efforts of the twelve donkeys, the engine and of every available pair of hands—even so the dorkeys strained and slipped, the engine roared, the wheels tore round and round,

donkeys, the engine and of every available pair of hands—even so the donkeys strained and slipped, the engine roared, the wheels tore round and round, ploughing up the sand, we spluttered and heaved—till at last with a mighty bound she began to crawl up the steep and slippery bank. Examination at the Police post then followed, and after the inevitable (and upon this occasion most welcome) cup of tea, the conquest of Rhodesia began.

For three days we wrestled with sand, rocks and heat. A track led us on through dry and desolate country—at first dense scrub bush with last year's parched grass hanging listless in the still hot air. Here and there were dotted sinister baobab trees, huge swollen trunks with scanty branches stretching out like gaunt arms—reminiscent of the talking forests of our childhood's fairy tales. The track itself assumed every variation possible; at one moment it became a sandy river bed, a few minutes after it appeared as the side of a mountain, while later it lost itself in the burnt grass of the veld. It led through spruits, dongas and river beds, over boulders, roots of trees and patches of scrub. Some of the descents leading to the river beds were so steep that the car appeared to be standing on its head; the spruits were so numerous that on one occasion we counted no fewer than eight in half a mile. All the drivers had different theories as to the best way of tackling deep sand. One favoured caution, a low gear and slow pace, and then we stuck; another dashed into it at twenty miles an hour with the car skidding violently, dashing and swaying from side to side and narrowly escaping collision with the trees on either side. Only two river beds brought us to a complete standstill, and then after a long wait in the burning sand we were pushed out by natives. A third river bed consisted of huge boulders, and here the only possible way through was to unpack the passengers, while the driver (holding her hair on and her teeth in) persuaded the long-suffering Ford to leap heavily from rock to ro

As oases in the desert were the Ranch and Mine head-quarters, where we found shelter at night. Their hospitality turned the struggles of the day into a remote nightmare, and the next day we dreamed dreams of their cocktails, iced drinks, comfortable beds and punkahs as we struggled in the heat and

But though the road may have been rough and we hot and dusty, yet ample was our reward for these trifling inconveniences. As we neared the Matapos hills the country underwent a subtle change: the coarse undergrowth was replaced by tall waving grass, the scrubby bush by graceful mopani trees, the sun shining through their delicate pale green and golden leaves. Here and there a flowering tree made a splash of orange or scarlet. Great rugged blocks of granite reared themselves on every side, bright with green and vermilion lichens. Others, rounded and polished into the most fantastic shapes, were balanced on top of crags and boulders, like the forsaken playthings of some mysterious giant. mysterious giant.

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The game was, perhaps, our chief joy and greatest reward. At first the only signs of life were the doves and coveys of guineafowl, scurrying into the bush at our approach. Then we caught sight of a delicate little duiker quivering with excitement as it dived into the thick grass in alarm, while later three warthogs with enormous ferocious-looking tusks trotted off in single file, their tails stuck straight up in the air. One evening a pair of shining eyes revealed the presence of a water buck, his handsome body and rugged horns silhouetted against the dusk. For some seconds he stood dazzled by our lights, and then he slipped into the darkness and disappeared. As we advanced into Rhodesia the game increased in number and interest: a herd of impala jumped across our track, their bright fawn bodies and gracefully curved horns scintillating in the sunlight. Soon afterwards a movement among the

afterwards a movement among the trees caught our attention as three noble sable antelopes cantered away into safety. A never-to-be-forgotten picture was when, turning a sharp corner, we came across an immense bull kodoo, majestically surveying the world, his beautiful spiral horns thrown well back. He appeared to be distinctly annoyed at having to make way for anything so banal as a clattering Ford. We were filled with awe at the sight of fresh lion spoor, but, apart from this, these noble beasts but, apart from this, these noble beasts kept well out of our way, doubtless aware of the presence of the pocket

aware of the presence of the pocket Browning.

One of our party borrowed a gun and went into the veld after guineafowl for the pot. The guinea-fowl ran deeper and deeper into the bush, and their pursuer got hotter and hotter, until, at length, with wild screeches, they rose into the air, accompanied by an enormous bird whose outstretched wings nearly blackered the sky. The huge enormous bird whose outstretched wings nearly blackened the sky. The huge bird appeared an easier target than the guinea-fowl, and was shot at and pro-videntially missed, for it turned out to be a pauw or wild turkey—royal game, whose death is punishable by a fine

Bulawayo was reached after four days, and there we revelled in all the comforts of a modern hotel, while the road out to the World's View felt like a billiard table to our jaded tyres and springs. Words cannot adequately describe the beauty and peace of Rhodes' lonely resting place among the Matapos hills—the huge boulders of granite spoke to us of his rugged strength of will and purpose, the distant hills reminded us of his great vision of a united South Africa, the solitude was in keeping with that loneliness of spirit which was his in common with so many other leaders of men. Browning's lines are extraordinarily appropriate to the man and the place:

Here-here's his place, where the meteors shoot, clouds form, Lightnings are loosened,
Stars come and go! Let joy break with the storm—

Peace let the dew send! Lofty designs must close in like effects:

Loftily lying, Leave him—still loftier than the world suspects
Living and dying.

A few nights before, a lion was seen crouching on his tomb. Here, indeed, is a fit burying place for the presiding genius

Here, indeed, is a fit burying place for the presiding genius of this country.

There is no road to Livingstone, so the train carried us to see the wonders of the Victoria Falls and the Upper Zambesi. There for five days we wandered among palm groves and rain forests, with chattering monkeys and birds of brilliant plumage, while canoes gliding among the many islets carried us to the haunts of crocodiles and hippos. And all this at a temperature of 110° in the shade!

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TWO OF THE PARTY.

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settlers and the savage Matabeles. We visited the ruins of Great Zimbabwi, whose origin is wrapped in mystery, though a romantic theory identifies it with the home of the Queen of Sheba.

Then followed another three hundred miles of rock and sand, now so familiar as hardly to be noticed. Our way lay through the immense British South Africa Company's Ranch, over two and a half million acres in extent, and carrying 70,000

head of cattle. Here no fewer than seventy lions had been killed during the year, but a solitary ostrich was the fiercest wild beast we encountered.

Soon, only too soon, the Limpopo was crossed once more and we were back in the comparative civilisation of the Transvaal. Our three weeks' trek was now only a delightful memory of the past.

Jacqueline Trotter.

#### CORRESPONDENCE



VIEW UP ST. ALDATES, 1919

THE REAL BISHOP KING'S PALACE.

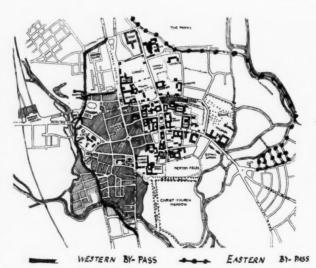
#### CHANGES AT OXFORD

TO THE EDITOR.

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SIR,—You published some little time ago an article on the clearing of the land south of Christchurch, on the east side of St. Aldates Street. I think there was a general tone of congratulation in the article, which I find is reflected in Oxford. There are rumours of "improvement," great "town-planning" developments and so on. I have for the first time seen the clearing and I felt at once that something has been lost, not altogether compensated by what has been gained. My first drawing will show my point. All the buildings in the centre of the picture have gone and it is the intention, I understand, shortly to demolish the remainder of the east of the street. To sum up the losses. We have lost one house of about 1600, two of 1750 and one, the tavern known as the Wheatsheaf and Anchor (if I remember rightly), which was a particularly interesting building slightly later. We are supposed to have gained a better view of Christchurch and more "traffic facilities." But have we? It seems to me that Christchurch was never meant to be seen that way; that all its builders, down to Wren, expected it to be seen as it appears in my drawing. This clearing of the surroundings of our cathedrals and colleges is architecturally a mistake, especially when it is associated with lamp-posts, curbs and pavings, often of bad, always of modern designs (though, of course, when surrounding buildings constitute a minace by fire, etc., they have to go). I think I shall find support when I suggest



SUGGESTED BY-PASS ROADS TO RELIEVE TRAFFIC AT CARFAX.

that the view shown is the appearance Wren expected Tom Tower to have. A very little analysis of the design will show that it was carefully arranged to show over the tops of houses just about this height, and that higher buildings will spoil the composition entirely. Historically, too, these buildings have some claim on our attention. This is the Oxford of Johnson, and all the other great Oxonians from Charles I to George III: after that the street fell on evil and all the other great Oxonians from Charles I to George III; after that the street fell on evil times and the wretched buildings that have been put together since, would be better away. As a traffic solution the alteration is useless.

Carfax is always the crux and sooner or later a by-pass road will have to be made, probably on the lines of the enclosed map. I do not write, however, solely in a spirit of cavilling—the milk has been spilt—but to suggest that the greatest care should be taken in replacing the buildings which have gone and, if possible, in preserving some of those that remain. Lower down the street there is the half of a building of the late sixteenth century, which is, I think, in the occupation of the Kremer Press of Oxford. I suggest that this should be preserved, and removed behind the new building line, and its missing wing restored. If this could have been done also with the buildings farther north, we should, it seems to me, have been more entitled to the gratitude of future generations. While on the subject of St. Aldates, may Lexpress the hone that now that we should, it seems to me, have been more entitled to the gratitude of future generations. While on the subject of St. Aldates, may I express the hope that now that the widening has been done on the east, a building on the west, Bishop King's Palace—not to be confused with a building to the north of it, of Charles I date, which is commonly known as Bishop King's Palace—with its magnificent ceilings and panelling, may come into the possession of one of the colleges or the University, and that this most important property in Oxford, outside collegiate control, may be preserved for ever.—HAROLD FALKNER.

[We are very glad to publish Mr. Falkner's letter, although we cannot agree entirely with his views. Undoubtedly the nineteenth century practice of, as far as possible, isolating any important building, is frequently abused. A glaring example is that of the Cathedral at

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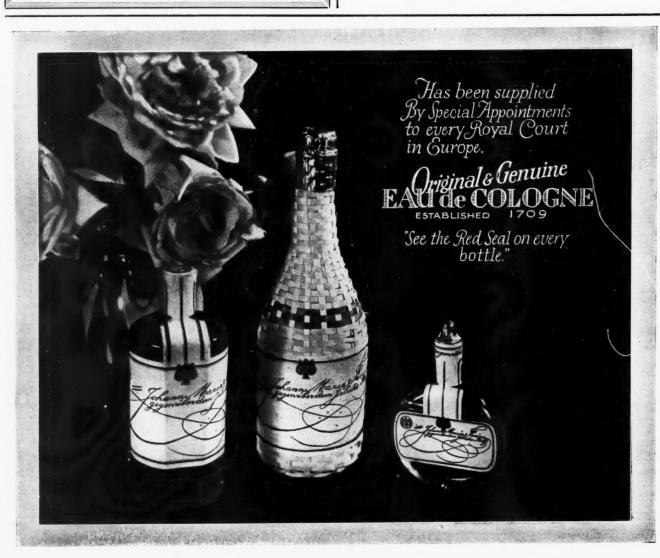
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Rouen, parts of which, now exposed, were from the very first hidden by street buildings and accordingly were finished in the roughest manner. But while Wren's Tom Tower was very possibly designed, as Mr. Falkner points out, to be seen over other buildings, we cannot agree that Wolsey anticipated the south front of his hall being so entirely screened as it became by late eighteenth century, and subsequent buildings. No one regrets more than we the demolition of the buildings mentioned on the east side of St. Aldates. But besides them a number of wholly uninteresting, and squalid, houses have either gone or are condemned. In any case, as Mr. Falkner says, it is no use crying over spilt milk—even if it was diluted—and the real point of his letter is unaffected, namely the great importance of bypasses for through traffic. We hope that the municipality will realise that such criticisms as these are delivered in the most friendly spirit. It recently invited criticism, of its town plan, from a body of distinguished experts. It is only right that the picturesque point of view should also be represented.—ED.]

A MAY STORM.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I missed Country Life much, as must thousands of others, during the strike, and was very glad to see it out again. We had a very sudden, sharp thunder and hail storm here in Hants on May oth—short, but severe. The lightning caught a wire fence down the park



LIGHTNING EFFECTS.

side, followed wires (nailed years ago to trees by someone) and at each tree knocked out odd bits of bark, jumping upwards. In the photograph enclosed the upper strand was joined just beneath the blown-up strip, and it not only fused the barbed wire, but blew it and staples out.—MAURICE PORTAL.

#### THE FIRST STRIKE?

TO THE EDITOR.

SIR,—A statistical expert has assured me that the potency of inaction, as a weapon for industrial reform, first occurred to the reflective the potency of inaction, as a weapon for industrial reform, first occurred to the reflective mind of the countryman—in other words, that strikes originated in country life (without capitals). Those agricultural labourers who survived the havoc of the Black Death, in 1348-49, finding the demand for their labour greatly increased, refused to give that labour unless they were paid higher wages. But the "direct action" of such simple country logic is perhaps hardly to be classified as a "strike"? An indisputable strike occurred at the close of the seventeenth century, when an organised body of craftsmen, the Journeymen Feltmakers fought the Chartered Company of Feltmakers on the question of wages, at a time when prices were rising. The masters in the "Mistery" of felt-making ordained, on November 16th, 1696, that for the making of "A Beaver" the wages of the men should be 3s. and diet, and no more. Whereupon, two weeks later, one George Barkeridge, together with twelve other journeymen of the said Mistery, demanded, on behalf of all their fellow journeymen of the Corporation, a recinding of the new order, by which their wages were lessened. Not till August, 1698, did the workers agree to sign an



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'Instrument' acknowledging that "We, with other Journeymen of the said Trade, have held together several Meetings, wherein we have conspired and combined together, to enhance the Prices for the making of Hats'; and, further, professing "hearty and unfeigned sorrow" for those "conspiracies."—G. M. GODDEN.

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"A PRIMITIVE FOUR-IN-HAND."

To the Editor.

Sir,—The photograph was taken near the village of Karind in north-west Persia, on the main road from Ba'Qubah (Persian-Irak bordeline) to the Caspian, and the way described by Darius as "The Great Road from the East to the West," to-day but a road in name, dotted here and there with the bleached bones of horses—perhaps one-time relays of the four-in-hand—camels and donkeys, poor beasts who dropped out under the heavy burden and tropical sun, and are left in a dying condition (generally) by the drivers, prey for the eagles and prairie dogs that abound in the region. The journey is done in stages, about fifteen miles a day; there are relays at various points. The horses are poor specimens, usually old and cast-offs of riders and cavalry. The vehicle is a springless cart with a centre pole, axland stays of wood, with a roughly constructed cover. It carries the Persian civil mail, together with an odd assortment of goods, livestock and passengers, all mixed up in happy confusion, bumping and jostling as the antique cart sways by one boulder or goes over another. The journey is a rough and difficult one for such a conveyance; passes have to be negotiated, and there is the ever present danger of robbery by bandits and roving tribes; the driver and men passengers are always armed, and a running fight has been the experience of some. When bandits are known to be in a vicinity, armed

guards are sent with the mail van between stages—a mixed blessing, as often they demand, with threats, extortionate gratuities from the passengers. For the poorer classes of Persians a journey is an event only to be undertaken when unavoidable. The Persians appear to favour four-in-hands; they have a chariot-like car with four horses abreast; exciting races are run with these and form a popular amusement. It appears strange to a visitor in Persia that such a land, so picturesque and rich in possibilities, and once the foremost in cultured civilisation, should revert to the early primitive. Travel, ploughing, their looms and carpet making, are all done with antiquated tools. It is only in one or two of the larger towns, such as Teheran, that indications of Persia's former glory may be traced. Few in Persia can either read or write, and these scribes read and answer letters, etc., for the people. They are very refined and courteous men and are held in great esteem. Often they can read and write in several dialects, and many in the northern parts of Persia (Teheran, etc.) speak French also. Usually they occupy a position by the temple gates. They are generally fully employed, as titles are numerous and of a very flowery description, the difficulty in writing letters is in getting the title high enough; the following is a common form of address: "His Exalted Highness, the learned One and Pillar of all Knowledge, whose mentality is greater than that of Aflastoon (Plato), the Incomparable, whose virtues havefilled the earth and whose star is more brilliant. Whose mentanty is greater than that of Alaston (Plato), the Incomparable, whose virtues have filled the earth and whose star is more brilliant than the stars that adorn the firmament; may Allah prolong his life and give him peace. After presenting my greetings in this brief and humble way to your Exalted Excellency I have a little petition to present . . . "etc.— B. AVEZATHE



A READY WRITER.

#### THE RED-BACKED SHRIKE AT HOME.

TO THE EDITOR.

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SIR,—One June day my wife and I came upon the nest of a red-backed shrike containing young, and in a favourable position for photography—an unusual circumstance. This was an opportunity which my wife said she could not miss. Consequently, a hide was erected over the nest next day and occupied by her and the camera. I watched developments from a little distance through powerful binoculars. When the shrike (the cock bird) returned to the nest (in about ten minutes), we were astonished to see the shrike (the cock bird) returned to the nest (in about ten minutes), we were astonished to see that he was carrying in his beak a small bird's egg (probably a wren's), and were even more astonished to witness him feed the egg to one of his chicks. It is known that the feeding habits of the red-backed shrike are becoming hawklike, and that small birds are now added to its original diet of bees, beetles and other large insects, but it was, I believe, hitherto unknown that red-backed shrikes now sometimes feed their young on eggs pirated from small birds' nests, as this unique photograph shows.

—Geo. Hearn.

#### CAPTURE OF A PINE MARTEN.

TO THE EDITOR.

SIR,—In the course of an article on the polecat and marten in Country Life for January 2nd last, I remarked that the occurrence on the Scottish borders of a marten would not be surprising. A pine marten was recently captured on Doon Hill in the parish of Spott, on a spur of the Lammermuir hills on the march between the counties of Haddington and Berwick. It was taken by a local game-keeper in a trap set for vermin, duly set up by a taxidermist, and is now at Ruchlau, Stenton, in the vicinity of Dunbar. Mr. A. C. Ramsay Chamberlain, Dunbar, who takes an interest in such occurrences in the district, informs me that it is sixty-three years since a specimen of the pine marten was taken in the district. It had been secured in the densely wooded area at Pease Bridge. It is believed that the specimen lately taken was making for the same retreat, and that it had strayed from the north of England.—D. A. M.

#### THE SPITEFUL SWAN.

TO THE EDITOR.

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Sir,—I am sending you a photograph of a mute swan on nest, taken by myself in Berkshire a short time ago, thinking you might consider it worth publishing in Country Life. Some idea of the strength of these birds can be gathered from the presence of the bough which has been utilised in the making of the nest. While watching the building operations I witnessed an incident which shows what a spiteful bird the swan is. A wild duck accompanied by her family of ducklings happened to pass close to one of the birds, and the latter charged straight at them with neck outstretched; had it not been for the diving tactics resorted to by the ducklings, I certainly think they would have suffered considerably by the onslaught.—E. Kingsley-Kefford.



THE SHRIKE WITH SMALL BIRD'S EGG IN HIS BEAK.

A FIELD MOUSE IN A BLACKBIRD'S NEST.

TO THE EDITOR.

SIR,—Ever on the look out to obtain rare nature photographs, I was considerably in-



"SHE WENT TO HER CUPBOARD."

trigued one winter morning to see a long-tailed field mouse leaving a deserted blackbird's nest, which, in the way of these creatures, it was

evidently using as a dining table and store cupboard. Could I get a photograph of this mouse actually using the nest? A difficult, if not impossible job, I realised; but I decided to try. For an hour each consecutive morning, I waited in concealment with the camera, and, at the end of two weeks, patience was rewarded—the mouse, on her way up to the nest, was caught by the camera!—G. H.

#### "BIRDS WITH QUEER NAMES."

TO THE EDITOR.

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Sir,—Your correspondent "West Country" finds it "difficult to fathom" the name "goud spink" being given to the goldfinch. Here we used to call the cock chaffinch a "bull spink." "Spink" obviously comes from the call of "spink, spink," and I imagine "bull" came from the similarity of the cock chaffinch, in full plumage, to the bullfinch. "Goud" is, obviously, gold, so the name goud spink is not a very bad one for the goldfinch. I have often wondered why the waterhen should also be called moorhen, but I have just arrived at the conclusion that "moor" in this connection is a mis-pronunciation of "mere." Of course, I may be wrong, but merehen seems much more rational than moorhen.— LLEWELLYN HUTCHINSON (Haslemere). more rational than inco Hutchinson (Haslemere).

#### THE NESTING OF STELLER'S EIDER. TO THE EDITOR.

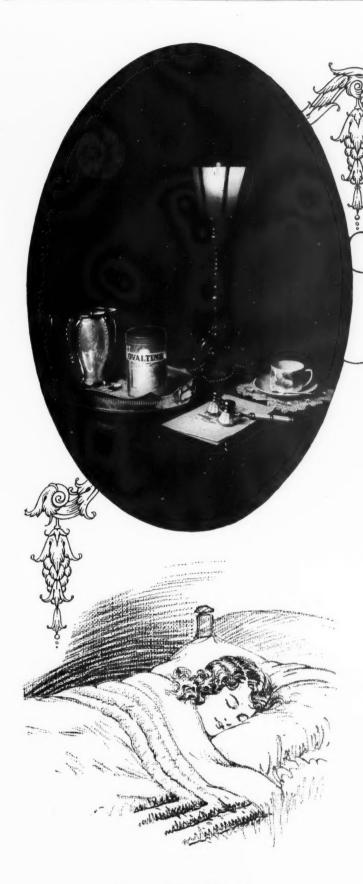
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SIR,—One of the most outstanding events of late years among the ducks is the recent extension in the range of that rare circumpolar duck Steller's eider or Steller's western duck (Heniconetta Stelleri), thought a few years ago to be rapidly approaching extinction. In view of this, it is extremely interesting to learn that in June, 1924, Mr. George Bolam and Dr. Blair saw a number of these beautiful eiders as far south as the Varanger Fjord not far from Vardo in northern Norway. The most they saw in one day was thirty-four, on June 26th, twenty-nine of them being males. Such being the case, they suspected that the females were sitting, and their surmise proved to be correct, for, although they did not find an actual nest with eggs, they saw no fewer than six ducks followed by broods of young, one of them being on an inland lake, on July 15th, with nine young (a full clutch), and the others, on July 16th on salt water, their young varying from six to one. On June 4th all the drakes were in full breeding dress, but about the 18th began to go into eclipse, which, by the beginning of July, was complete. Those breeding this, for a drake in my collection, shot on Kolintschin Island on July 8th, 1909, was still in his full breeding plumage. Dresser, in his "Palæarctic Birds," states that it breeds in northern Siberia, and also that it was a regular winter visitor to this Varanger Fjord. Witherby, in the "Practical Handbook," states that it nests in East Siberia, east of the Tamir Peninsula and the Arctic Ocean, near Bering Sea, east of Alaska, and erroneously stated to have nested on this Varanger Fjord, where its nesting is now confirmed. The duck has occurred twice in Britain—Norfolk in 1830 and Yorkshire in 1845.—H. W. Robinson.



"THE SWAN'S NEST AMONG THE REEDS."



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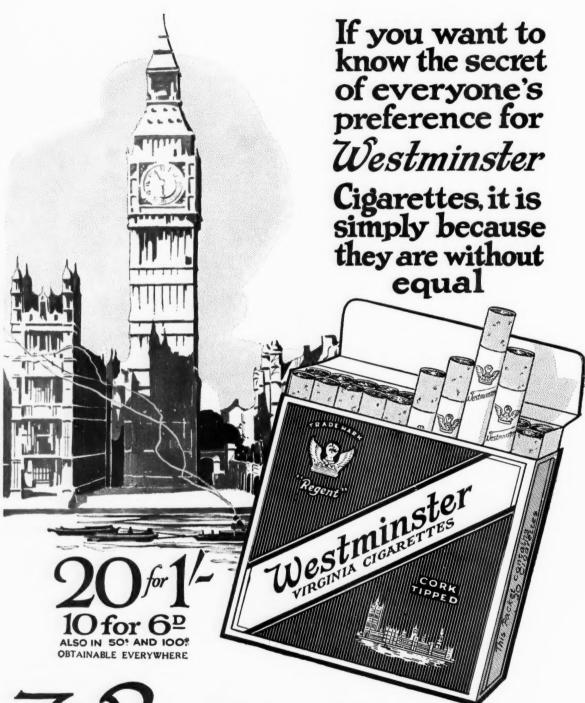
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#### OF EVE ON THE THE DERBY

PELOPS AT THE JEVINGTON

ORD DERBY and his trainer, the Hon. George Lambton, were pretty confident that Sansovino would win the Derby two years ago. I have an idea they are even more confident now about Colorado. The trainer tells us that when he tried Sansovino he ran Pharos to a is that when he tried Sansovino he ran Pharos to a standstill at the end of a mile, and, after Tranquil had headed him, he went on to beat her a length and a half at less than weight for age. They had no fear as to the outcome of the Derby after that. I do not suppose Mr. Lambton has subjected Colorado to any formal trial since the race for the Two Thousand Golorado to any formal trial since the race for the Two Thousand Guineas. He would quite rightly conclude that the brilliant showing over the Rowley Mile would be trial enough. What he would want to find out if possible was the staying capacity of the colt. Many a horse has been brilliant over the Rowley Mile—I quoted the cases of Slieve Gallion and Tetratema a week ago—but the extra half mile of the Derby distance does the cold ifference of the cold in the cold in the cold ifference of the cold in the co make a difference.

#### COLORADO AND THE DERBY.

We may assume that Mr. Lambton is satisfied, for Colorado has been working exceptionally well with horses that have won has been working exceptionally well with horses that have won over distances beyond a mile, and apart from that Mr. Lambton is too experienced to make a mistake on that point. I have no doubt, therefore, that Colorado will get the course all right, and, that being so, he will win, bar some untoward happening such as being left at the post or meeting with trouble through the race. Only a prejudiced critic can oppose him against the weight of evidence in his favour. He may be badly beaten for the Derby, but the fact would not alter my opinion that his way of winning the Two Thousand Guineas was beyond all criticism.

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As in the Two Thousand Guineas, so in the Derby; Apple Sammy is very likely to be placed again. He, like all the rest that finished behind Colorado at Newmarket, gave the impression of having been run off his legs by the great pace at which they ran the race. He may find things in that respect rather better at Epsom, though, to be sure, there is never any dawdling when the Derby is being run. Still, the conformation of Mr. Hornung's colt and his fine speed lead me to think he will be prominent on this more important occasion. I believe he has done particularly well during the last five weeks.

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Whatever faith they had in Lex prior to the Two Thousand Guineas, and it was fairly considerable, has, I think, weakened of late. The simple, hard truth is that the colt is not as good as was hoped and believed. It may be that they asked a very big thing of him when he was tried, and, in failing, he tailed rather badly. It is impossible to fancy him in the circumstances. There has been a talk of Finglas, but this is one I will not have. He is on the small side, but he is also mean and common looking, and certainly not the type that wins Derbys. Probably the "dark" horse, Captain Blood, will have run at Manchester before these notes are in print. The form he shows there will be the best guide as to what his capacity may be. His owner, Mr. J. B. Joel, is very much in the dark about him, which is not quite a healthy sign. Captain Blood may make a big noise later in the year, but I do not think it will be at Epsom this week.

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Swift and Sure won the Chester Vase very easily, but I do not think he had much to beat. Possibly they have not a very exalted opinion of the Duke of Portland's Lanchester; indeed, his form can be made out to be only very moderate judged by the highest standard. He was behind Swift and Sure at Chester. Of course, it is not at all improbable that Lord Astor's colours will be carried into a place. It is even the usual thing. Gay Of course, it is not at all improbable that Lord Astor's colours will be carried into a place. It is even the usual thing. Gay Lothario, Happy Recruit, Buckaway, Artist Glow, Bicarbonate, Booklet, Review Order, Comedy King, Harpagon, Jessel, Pantera, Macanudo, Phanarite, Amilcar, Rosehearty, Southbourne and Mr. Macomber's horses—what chance can any of these have on any known form? Strange things can happen we know, and only in that sense could the success of one of that lot be looked for lot be looked for.

If Pillion should not be able to follow up her One Thousand

Guineas' success by taking the Oaks at the end of next week, it will be because of lack of stamina. Trilogy is rather a big and awkward sort for the course, but for which I would fancy

her very much. As it is she must have an undeniable chance. Then there are Short Story and Karra, for whom her trainer makes some excuses, but there is still some way to go, and I can return to the subject of the Oaks in next week's issue.

It has never been my custom to use these columns for the undue praising of this or that stallion at the stud. I am convinced that such a policy would speedily sap confidence in the writer's opinions as well as in his honesty of judgment. Some owners of stallions and mares are so much in love with them as to be blind to their faults, or it may be that blindness is deliberately assumed for commercial considerations. It is a way they have in the horse world. If I have ever felt it would be inexpedient to criticise bluntly, I have discreetly said nothing or very little. If I could honestly praise with some enthusiasm and give adequate reasons for doing so, the fact has certainly given pleasure to the writer. These thoughts were suggested when the existence of the sire Pelops at the Jevington Stud in Sussex again came adequate reasons for doing so, the fact has certainly given pleasure to the writer. These thoughts were suggested when the existence of the sire Pelops at the Jevington Stud in Sussex again came to my notice. The other day I chanced to be in the neighbourhood of Mr. Michalinos' delightful home, and, naturally, I wished to see again the horse that had figured in a stud article which I contributed to Country Life two or three years ago.

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By Polymelus out of Permia, by Persimmon out of Medora, by Bend Or, there is literally no better bred horse at the stud in this country to-day. He was a very fast horse, the winner, among other races, of the Portland Plate at Doncaster, and had he belonged to one or other of the leading owner-breeders of the day I have no doubt he would have secured that fair chance which his breeding and performances merited. As, however, Mr. Michalinos finds pleasure in breeding from his own mares and has not attempted to boom the sire, it has happened that Pelops has remained all this time in comparative obscurity. I have never seen a horse bear such a striking resemblance to his sire except that he does not measure so much at the wither. Last year he had three of his progeny in training and two of them were winners. My visit to Jevington the other day was par-Last year he had three of his progeny in training and two of them were winners. My visit to Jevington the other day was particularly interesting because I was able to see some of his young stock. For instance, Mr. Michalinos has a two year old in training by Pelops from Eddystone by Eager. I have not seen a better looking one on a racecourse this year, and if he does not make a very considerable mark I shall be almost as much disappointed as his owner. I saw several wonderfully good foals by him, and as actions sometimes speak louder than words in these things, let me add that I have sent to the horse a mare of my own—a really good staying Tredennis mare. As the dam of Coronach is a Tredennis mare, the mating of that invaluable blood with the brilliant lines brought in by Pelops should be ideal. May it be so in the outcome! be so in the outcome!

#### RACING IN CEYLON.

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About the middle of last March I contributed an article to COUNTRY LIFE on "Some Impressions of Racing in Ceylon." It has, I believe, been widely quoted in Ceylon, and apparently has caught the eye of Mr. Herbert Kerr, whose firm in Dublin deals with the purchase and sale of bloodstock. It seems that I wrongly attributed to Mr. George Whitby, of Colombo, the purchase of Cloughane, who, I suggested, was the best horse in Ceylon at the present time. Mr. Kerr now writes: "What is said about this horse is quite correct, except for the remark that he was brought out by Mr. George Whitby. Mr. Whitby had nothing to do with the importation of the horse. I selected him for Captain J. E. Barnes, veterinary surgeon and steward of the Ceylon Turf Club, who was buying on behalf of Mr. A. A. Bowie, of Great Western Estate, Talawakelle, and this gentleman still owns him. Cloughane was the first and only horse I have ever sent to Ceylon, but I might add that I am at this moment negotiating for another thoroughbred for the same client, who is at present on holiday in England.

"Your correspondent is perfectly right in regard to the essentials that must be observed when selecting a horse for Ceylon, but owners in that island will not pull out when the proper type is offered, and more than often they take the cheap article, which has been weeded out of some stable in England or Ireland. Honesty in a racchorse, just as in a human being, counts for everything. Certainly Cloughane was endowed with his full share, and it will carry him a long way, possibly, I trust, it will turn the scales in his favour when contesting the big Cup races at Calcutta this coming Christmas."

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It is right, of course, that Mr. Kerr should have the credit for the selection of Cloughane, for that horse speaks well for his judgment. It was possibly my own fault that attributed the purchase to Mr. Whitby, who, however, has introduced a lot of winners to the island in the last few years. It is undoubtedly true that the class as a whole is very poor, but it may be that the opportunities are not abundant. Colombo and Nuawara Eliya possess excellent courses, especially the former, but I am not sure about other places. Such courses as those at Kandy and Radella may provide plenty of fun, but they are not racecourses in any serious sense. Now that the island has passed through a time of marked prosperity, Ceylon owners ought to go in for something better than has been their practice.

Philippos.

#### THE ESTATE MARKET

#### RESUMPTION BRISK

ECOVERY after the recent interruption has been on a scale encouraging alike in its rapidity and widespread character. It is worth while, as showing the strength of the Estate Market, to mention later a few of the sales that were actually accomplished during the difficult days of the early part of this month. Three or four considerable transactions were announced last week and, in one instance at least, the fact that a country firm happened to be acting in conjunction with one in London enabled the completion of the contract to be carried out at a time when the parties found it practically impossible to travel to a country town for the purpose. One point regarding present-day practice in One point regarding present-day practice in connection with the buying of country houses was brought out very strongly in the same period, that it is the motor car and not the railway service that now brings to these houses the likeliest purchasers. For the full enjoyment of life in the country a car is indispensable.

#### HORSLEY TOWERS.

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IN recording the sale of Horsley Towers (in the Estate Market page of COUNTRY LIFE on August 9th, 1919), we said "Mr. E. Nield Shackle (Messrs. George Trollope and Sons) was the buyer, on behalf of a client of the firm, of Lord Lovelace's splendid estate of Horsley Towers, the price being £150,000. The brevity of the auction made a new record for Hanover Square, Sir Howard Frank (Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley), carrying out the entire formalities of the auction within four minutes. The purchaser is Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith of aviation fame." Now it falls to us to announce that Mr. Sopwith wishes to sell the estate, and Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley are to hold the auction of this, one of the most beautiful of Surrey mansions, with 690 acres. Particulars which, in magnitude and other respects, recall those prepared when they had to sell the Crystal Palace, have been issued by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, of the Wembley Exhibition estate, and the amended date of the auction will be June 15th, at Hanover Square. That day, and not June 1st, will also be the sale date of a Cranleigh Common property, Vine Farm, 30 acres, the joint agents for the latter being Messrs. Weller, Son and Grinsted.

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At Hanover Square, Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley sold Ifield Lodge, Crawley, 56 acres, for £8,000. They have also sold Birthwood, Lanarkshire, 4 miles from Coulter, 1,500 acres; and the major portion of Garvald estate, Peeblesshire, 1,165 acres; also Newhall and Carlops, Midlothian, on the southern slopes of the Pentlands, 222 acres; and Talgarth Hall, Machynlleth (jointly with Messrs. Newsam and Gott), 2,020 acres with Georgian residence. Gott), 3,020 acres, with Georgian residence

#### COMING EVENTS.

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MR. AUBREY A. H. WYKEHAM has instructed Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley to offer Emmington estate, adjoining the town of Thame and extending to 941 acres. It includes farms and woodlands.

Mr. E. I. Spencer has asked the firm to offer Knappe Cross, 30 acres, two miles from Exmouth, by auction.

Torridon, belonging to Lord Woolavington, 17,000 acres in the county of Ross, is to be offered at the "upset" of £30,000 by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley. Originally part of the possessions of the Lords of the Isles, in 1584 Donald M'Angus M'Alasdair of Glengarry succeeded to half of it, while the other half went to the Seaforths. Torridon is one of the best houses in Scotland. The deer forest yields thirty to forty stags. There is first-rate salmon and trout fishing in the Torridon River, with trout up to 3lb., and a good anchorage for yachts.

The "strike" notwithstanding, the contents of Netherby Hall, Cumberland, made high prices through Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley: Captain J. Smith's "Generall Historie of Virginia," with engraved title and large folding map, 1627, a fine and tall copy, 120 guineas; Speed's "The Theatre of Great Brittaine," maps, folio, 1631, 28 guineas; and a room of late seventeenth century oak panelling, 1,300 guineas.

Heathcroft, Bexley, is to be offered by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, in conjunction with Messrs. Dann and Lucas, on the instructions of the executors of the late Mr. Stephen Cannon. The former firm is

instructed by Lieutenant-Colonel Scott-Miller to offer the freehold, Eastwood, in Roehampton Lane.

#### NEW DATES OF AUCTIONS.

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COMPARATIVELY little interference with their plans for auctions is reported by Messrs. Hampton and Sons, who state that the Mayfair house, No. 27, Green Street; Lammermuir, Golders Hill Park; and The Croft, Redington Road, Hampstead, which were to be offered on May 11th, are included in the auction which takes place on June 1st at the St. James's Estate Rooms, St. James's Square. On the date mentioned No. 72A, Carlton Hill, St. John's Wood, will also be offered; while Woodfield, Northwood; Marchmount, Westerham; Heathfield, Hertford; Springfield Lodge, Hertford; and The Point, Newick, are country properties to be submitted. The following auctions were postponed from May 18th to Thursday, June 3rd, in addition to the usual Tuesday sale of Messrs. Hampton and Sons: Whitehill Roughets, Bletchingley; Stivers, Chalfont St. Giles; Chetwode, Maidenhead Thicket; Old Park House, Ifield, Crawley; Southwood, Caterham; Red Downs, Coulsdon; and Princes Mead, Nettlestone, Isle of Wight.

Messrs. Hampton and Sons have sold Lavender Cottage, Farnham; Pelham Place, Alton; Stonycroft, Gerrards Cross; Gorse View, Woking; Kenley Lodge, Kenley; Fernbank, Heathfield; Makepeace, Reigate; Thorwood, Godalming; Bentley, Cooden; St. Stephen's Cottage, St. Albans; Church House, Bromley; Glinton, Farnborough; 15 and 28, Bryanston Square; 24, Grosvenor Square; 21, Cheyne Walk; 10A, Holland Park Road; and 4, St. Mark's Square, Regent's Park. COMPARATIVELY little interference with

#### THE WARTER PRIORY SALE.

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THE Yorkshire domain of nearly 10,000 acres, which the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme has entrusted to Messrs. Hampton and Sons for sale, is in the characteristic country of the Wolds, and the contour of the land lends itself to high-flying birds, a natural game ground, light soil on chalk. (The game bags were summarised in the Estate Market page on March 6th.) The mansion, a handsome structure of red brick with stone dressings, occupies a choice position over 300ft. above sea level, yet well sheltered in a boldly undulating and well wooded park of about 400 acres, with lake stocked with trout. The stately character of the seat is clearly brought out in the views which Messrs. Hampton and Sons have inserted in their announcement in the Supplement to Country Life of March 20th (page vi).

One of the features is the wonderful garden on the south-eastern slopes, displayed in terraces with yew hedges and topiary work, brick and stone retaining walls, and fine wroughtiron gates, including Italian gardens, rose gardens, lily pools, rock and water gardens, tea and garden houses, sloping lawns, hard and grass tennis courts, walled kitchen garden stocked with fruit, orchard and extensive ranges of glasshouses. About 1,000 acres of the estate are woods and plantations. About 260 acres are in hand, and the remainder is in twenty-three farms, several small holdings and village properties, producing £6,000 per annum. There are about sixty cottages in the villages, mostly in the occupation of estate servants free of rent. The outgoings are low.

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with sufficient rooms for men and maid servants and four servants' bathrooms; a range of domestic offices on the ground floor, an electric laundry, and rooms for the laundry staff—a very complete establishment, take it staff—a ve

#### INCREASING ACTIVITY.

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THE direct Portman lease of No. 30, Montagu Square has been sold by Messrs. John D. Wood and Co. It is one of the many transactions carried out in the very middle of the recent general strike, and we have a list before us full of items sold under similar conditions by a large number of firms and exceeding £120,000. Surely no plainer proof could be desired of the strength of the market.

The Haven, Crawley Down, a couple of miles from Rowfant, a comfortable and secluded house in richly timbered grounds, has been sold by Messrs. John D. Wood and Co., this week. The whole extending to nearly 60 acres.

The buyer of Anglesey Abbey, near Cambridge, from a client of Messrs. Bidwell and Sons and Messrs. Harrods, Limited, announced last week, was Captain H. R. Broughton.

Messrs. Bidwell and Sons have sold a number of Marlow properties, part of the Court Garden estate, and the house was bid up to nearly the reserve, which is less than £4,000 (including 13 acres). One or two of the company at the auction, conducted by Captain Norman J. Hodgkinson, of the Cambridge firm, jointly with Messrs. Lawrence and Son, the local agents, were representative of development syndicates, but it may be hoped the residential hrm, Jointly with Messrs. Lawrence and Son, the local agents, were representative of development syndicates, but it may be hoped the residential character of the house and grounds will be retained. Another riverside residence, Lee Farmhouse, Hurley, a Queen Anne house and \$\frac{1}{2}\$ acres, is to be sold in July by Messrs. Norfolk and Peior.

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Galewood Towers, formerly the house of Sir W. H. St. John Hope, and until now of Baron Morpurgo, has been sold by Messrs. Bidwell and Sons.

The lease of one of the smaller houses in Deanery Street, Mayfair, has changed hands through Messrs. Duncan B. Gray and Partners. Messrs. Fox and Sons report activity in the property market. During March and April they sold sixty-one residences in Bournemouth and district, varying in price up to £4,000. In the same period purchasers were found for ninety-one plots of building land in addition to country properties on the Haldon estate, near Exeter; the Westbury estate, near Petersfield; and a farm on the Motcombe estate, Dorset, and others. The aggregate exceeded £159,000. Messrs. James Styles and Whitlock, in conjunction with Messrs. Young and Gilling, announce the sale of Oddington Lodge and 6 acres at Moreton-in-Marsh. The residence is well placed for hunting, with the Heythrop, North Cotswolds and Warwick and Cotswold Packs. Messrs. Harding and Harding report the sale of Springhill Lodge, Golucestershire, and Thornleigh, Curdridge.

One of the most successful sales for many years past in the west of England was held, by order of the executors of Margaret, Lady Heytesbury. Prices ruled high throughout and there was keen rivalry between the county gentry, who were well in evidence, and the dealers from London and the provinces. Prices of some of the lots were: a seventeenth century small grandfather clock, by Peter Gobert, 82 guineas; a chippendale tripod table, 48 guineas; a set of seventeen Hepplewhite chairs, £282. One of the attractions of the sale was the silver, included in which was the Ambassador's plate made by Paul Stort in 1814 and used by William, Lord Heytesbury during his diplomatic career in Naples, Spain, Portugal, Russia



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HERE are some who contend that, if architecture is to be made a living thing, all the fancies and trappings which may be counted as the stock-in-trade of design must be wholly abandoned. A clean sweep must be made of the past, in order to start from an entirely new basis. In principle, no doubt, it is all very admirable, and in actuality, when the building happens to be of an entirely modern character, such as an aeroplane station, some remarkable results have been achieved. But when applied to domestic work, and especially to the country house, it seems to the writer that the new manner so strongly advocated has yet far to go before it proves its superiority to what we have as a heritage from the past. The majority of people, moreover, desiring a house to be built for themseives, have their own personal wishes, and it is the architect's first duty moreover, desiring a house to be built for themselves, have their own personal wishes, and it is the architect's first duty to comply with his client's requirements. In these notes on country houses the point has often been stressed that if a client dislikes a Georgian house and wants something in "the old manner," he is not only perfectly entitled to his preference, but the architect, if he accepts the commission, must do his utmost to give his client what he wants. Probably the majority of the public in England to-day prefer a house in "the old manner." There is no denying the charm of those old half-timber houses of the countryside. Nevertheless, their distinguishing character cannot be assimilated in a new house unless this is theless, their distinguishing character cannot be assimilated in a new house unless this is built, as nearly as possible, in the old way. That the thing can be done, there are plenty of examples to testify. This house at Kilnquay is one of them. It was built several years ago from designs by Messrs. Forsyth and Maule, and both outside and in it has the right feeling. The half-timber work was fashioned from baulks taken out of old ships in Falmouth Harbour—in itself a very good reason for building a house of this kind in Cornwall. The timbers were adzed on the a house of this kind in Cornwall. The timbers were adzed on the spot and set up without too strict an adherence to drawing-board and compasses; and where mouldings were introduced, as in the beams that stretch across the large hall which forms the central feature on the ground floor, they were worked on the solid in the old way. This is not a reproduction house, and there is no trail of the faker about it. It is frankly what it is, a modern house built in an old way. It occupies a site overlooking

Falmouth Harbour, and there is a piece of garden running down to the roadway that skirts the beach. Trees were on the site when the house was built, and many of them, especially two large cypresses, were retained. The fall of the ground has been utilised to form terraces, and at the lower end is a rose garden with a semicircular pergola enclosing it. garden with a semicircular pergola enclosing it.



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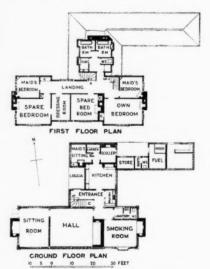
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HALL.

The plan of the house consists of an oblong block embodying the main rooms, with an L-shaped one-storey wing on the north side. The entry is by way of a paved loggia which opens into the staircase hall, which, in turn, gives access to the ground-floor rooms. These consist of three—a large living-hall in the centre, with a sitting-room opening out of it on one side and a smoking-room on the other. All three rooms have a south aspect overlooking the garden, and the smoking-room has a door opening on to the terrace. The interior treatment is appropriately simple, and the furnishing in keeping with it. The hall has a brick ingle, with an open fire. The ingle is spanned by a sturdy oak bressumer, and of oak too is the panelling that covers the main walls. The windows throughout are metal casements set in oak frames, the chimneys are built up with stone and brick, and the roof is covered with tiles of good colour and texture. The house fits happily into its site at the foot of a wooded slope, and is picturesque from every point of view. It is now the home of Mr. Wheatly Cobb, and from its windows can be seen that fine old ship, the Foudroyant, which, through Mr. Cobb's generosity and interest, has been preserved for many years to come. It rides proudly in Falmouth Harbour, a happy training-ship for boys. To Mr. Cobb, also, must be given the chief credit for saving that other fine old ship, the Implacable.

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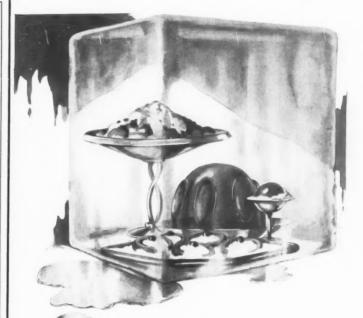
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#### IN COUNTRY HOUSES.—II FIRES

THEIR PREVENTION.

By S. G. Gamble, F.S.I., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.FIRE E.; AND CAPT. A. SUTHERLAND-GRAEME, A.R.I.B.A., A.I.STRUCT.E.

HOSE who have read our preceding article, which appeared in COUNTRY LIFE of April 24th, will have realised that "prevention" is the faith of the writers.

The tendency of much of the recent correspondence in the general and the life. The tendency of much of the recent correspondence in the general and technical Press, however, has been to direct attention towards fire fighting and fire insurance rather than towards fire prevention and fire protection, with the result that owners will be asking themselves:

(1) Am I insured, or sufficiently insured?

(2) Am I sufficiently provided with fire appliances?

(3) Have I a full inventory of all furniture and other property covered by the insurance? Do I know the probable cost of rebuilding or repair after a fire? Does my policy cover these costs?

These are all points for careful consideration, but at the moment

cover these costs?

These are all points for careful consideration, but at the moment the point is, rather: How can I prevent a fire occurring in my house? It may be said that nobody, unless criminally minded, desires a fire, and that this matter of fire prevention is unduly desires a fire, and that this matter of fire prevention is unduly stressed. It is obvious, however, that every fresh fire provides a potent stimulus to business along the lines indicated above. Fire appliances, to be of service, require a fire; and, in a recent letter to the Times, Mr. Harold Bevir states truly that "an insurance policy is small protection for the priceless heritages of art and buildings, and does not even provide a pecuniary equivalent to the property destroyed."

The sequence of our principles, therefore, is: (1) Prevention, (2) Limitation, (3) Extinction.

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The first necessity for an owner seeking fire prevention is that a complete survey of the house or premises should be made by someone thoroughly conversant with fire risks. The professional fire brigade officer, by reason of his special knowledge of what to look for, is probably the more capable of pointing out particular instances of risk.

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Many architects have also studied the question, but it should be remembered that fire prevention differs from pre-caution in the event of fire in that, while the former is almost entirely a constructional matter, and so comes within the architect's reference, the latter is purely a fire officer's business, and deals with questions of fire-fighting appliances. This latter aspect will be the subject of a further article.

The fire adviser (as we will call him) should follow up his survey by a written report, detailing the defects found and remedies suggested. Advice on carrying out these remedies and on any consequent structural work will devolve upon the architect.

If an owner is unable to obtain a competent adviser, either by personal knowledge or private recommendation, it should be possible for the National Fire Brigades Association (8, Waterloo Place, London) to nominate such a person. Most owners will know of a competent architect.

For the rest, a few general remarks on the cases mentioned in the first article are appended.

Flues.—Where a defective or tortuous flue is in an outside wall, it may be possible to cut it off and build a new portion without undue disturbance of fabric or loss of architectural effect.

By judicious opening up from the outside, the ends of any timbers projecting into the flue might be reached, and steps taken to remove or protect them. Again, soot doors and observation doors may be inserted at sharp bends and angles.

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observation doors may be inserted at sharp bends and angles. Flues in interior walls are harder to deal with. There is small hope of straightening them by building deviations, although it may be possible to insert soot doors and observation doors where they will be unobjectionable. It may, possibly, even be worth while to install central heating for the whole or part of the premises, and thereby to enable certain dangerous flues to be dispensed with. It should be remembered that thorough cleaning of all flues is essential. Recently an old built-up fireplace was reopened, and it was found that the old flue, which had been disused for nearly a century, was so choked with soot that nearly sixty sackloads fell down into the room. It was a marvel that this old house had not been destroyed long before. Beams.—Where beams are found in or near flues, it may be possible to bracket out from the wall in order to carry the beam, which would be cut at this point, and the original end withdrawn, after which the opening would be built up. Alternatively, a trimmer might be inserted, which would keep the beam away, not only from the flue, but also from the hearth in the room above. If an iron joist be found to penetrate, leaving passageway along its sides from the flue to the wooden casing, the casing should be removed and the joist packed carefully in with brick and cement at the point where it enters the wall. The casing may be lined internally with asbestos sheeting or treated with anti-pyrene solution or both, before being refixed.

Hearths should, if possible, be lifted, especially if broken or cracked, in order to expose the setting. All unnecessary woodwork should be eliminated, and other woodwork essential to construction, if not treated as mentioned above, must be given

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adequate protection. This may mean raising the hearth, as it is known that heat has been transmitted to a surprising depth by hearths, and woodwork nearly one foot below the has been charred.

has been charred. Floors in which boards have shrunk apart should be re-laid, and all rubbish found between the joists removed. Much inflammable matter has been found packed between joists to deaden sound. It could be replaced by fire-resisting material. Failing re-laying, the openings should be filled in.

Panelling near flues, if found to give any indication of heat, might be refixed with a backing of asbestos sheeting.

Wood Fixing Blocks should be removed if in dangerous positions. Patent blocks are made which can replace them.

Central Heating.—In the past, some people have lent too

Central Heating.—In the past, some people have lent too ready an ear to glowing accounts, from makers and others, of the efficiency of furnaces and radiators. Modern houses may have excellent installations, presenting practically no risk; but the old building is in an entirely different category, and in many cases scant attention has been given to the conditions under which the installation has been carried out. The engineer, naturally anxious to obtain an order, may not be expected to stress deficiencies, to remedy which might entail expense sufficient to cause abandonment of the scheme.

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It must be emphasised that furnace, flues, pipes and radiators are all parts of the system and must be treated as such. An existing flue, possibly defective and tortuous, naturally cannot do the work of a dozen, and any attempt to force it beyond its limit will, sooner or later, bring disaster. Where any doubt exists, a new flue, of adequate dimensions and properly constructed, should be built.

Hot-water Pipes must be run with care, as they are capable of producing and igniting pyrophoric carbon. Dust lends itself particularly to the formation of this, and the brown stain so often seen above hot pipes and radiators is caused by carbonised dust carried against wall and ceiling by currents of hot air. Hot pipes should not be enclosed in wooden casing, as it is only a question of time for woodwork, exposed to comparatively low heat, to arrive at the carbon state in which it may commence to smoulder if submitted to the slight extra heat of an oil or gas lamp some distance away. If wood casing is necessary, it should be efficiently impregnated. The pipes should be protected by sleeves when passing through floors, panelled walls or wood partitions. The domestic cupboard through which heating pipes pass is a not uncommon lurking through which heating pipes pass is a not uncommon lurking

through which heating pipes pass is a not uncommon lurking place for trouble.

Old Electric Light Installations to-day are one of the main causes of fires, and should be carefully overhauled. Some of them are thirty or forty years old. The original wiring may, or may not, have been well done; but, even if the former is the case, the insulation may have perished. Alterations and additions (necessarily very often made), although sound in themselves, may have had a bad effect on the existing system.

The overhauling of old electric lighting installations is most important in considering fire prevention.

All repairs and new work should be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the Institution of Electrical

Engineers.

Gas.—The chief necessities are proper protection from naked light, periodical overhaul of all fittings, and proper ventilation of the meter chamber. The run of the pipes should be known—and this applies to all electric light and other wiring, and to

and this applies to an electric light and other wing, and to any hidden pipes in connection with central heating. In conclusion, it is emphasised that these suggestions are of a general nature only. The crux of the matter is the expert survey: after that, action must be governed by individual

conditions.

#### FLY-FISHER'S LAMENT

OMEWHERE in the lapel of an old coat is hooked a bunch of flies, gold and brown, scarlet and black. I have forgotten how to tie them—even forgotten their names, but as I finger them lovingly, some little of the dreams of yesterday are born again.

That "Black Gnat" once floated over a rippleless pool on the proper of the p

That a late summer's evening, when the bats were circling shadows overhead and the old house amid the trees stood bathed in the

glory of a setting sun.
The "Zulu" coas coaxed the first trout from out a reed-girt stream in those halcyon days when fishing and the lore of gun and hound meant everything.

He is an old fly now. I should not like to say how old,

and hound meant everything.

He is an old fly now. I should not like to say how old, but has been carried ever since, and no doubt will be carried for all time; after all, he is so bedded in the coat that nothing but scissors can remove him, and scissors are sacrilege where the Norfolk jacket, "Vintage 1909," is concerned.

They mean a lot, these flies; not for the past alone, for the world to-day has no use for a past. Rather—they spin

their webs for the future: a future one knows nothing of. As I take the old coat down I look at them wonderingly; Charles was with me when the claret and teal rose the two-pounder from the lake outside his rambling house; but Charles is dead now; he stapped over the parapet at Givenchy too soon, and the claret and teal has nothing but bitter memories.

Next to it is a white moth; I am no fisherman now, nor ever will be in these days, but as I look at it I know that I shall never that the claret are in the Teat again.

fish the placid waters of the Test again, nor shall I ever throw a crooked line over the mill swirl beneath the granite bridge of the little village which huddles on the Wharfe.

I do not even fish now, fishing at least worthy of the name.

'Tis a long trek for a sick man to those streams babbling down the Yorkshire dales where the bees hum over the purple heather and your quarter-pound trout is a prize indeed. It is a longer trek

I know of one stream, though, where I may fish; you, my friend, would not deign to fish it; it lies near London; it is the worst trout stream in England, you will be lucky if you

the worst trout stream in England, you will be lucky if you ever see a trout there, but to me it means all the world.

I wander over a common on fire with gorse, and through a lush meadow—what matter that stucco-built houses are being erected as fast as possible on either side?—I curve a line around the trunks of a surviving group of willows; I even dangle a limp spent gnat over a red-bricked bridge with a tarmac road running across it, no darker or dirtier than the waters beneath waters beneath.

I have caught little, and, in truth, I have not expected to catch anything. Once my line ran out perhaps five yards, and then came playfully back to the tune of the reel. Such a trout!

then came playfully back to the tune of the reel. Such a trout! He was a bare three inches, and his fate was to be returned to the muddy stream from which he came.

But as I write this I do not despair; the old order changeth, and what would you? I look at my greenheart bound up in its worn canvas case, a Hardy from Alnwick, purchased nearly twenty years ago; my reel, my casts, which are past dealing with any fish worth calling a fish, sing their little songs to me; the Cock-a-bundi in my coat whispers, "Come on, man, summer is nearly here, there are cowships in the meadows and lank rush grass to pave the way. A lark sings overhead and the catkins grass to pave the way. A lark sings overhead and the catkins are long past their bloom. Come into the open, to-day we live, to-morrow we will rake the monster of our dreams from out the

weir pool we know of old.

"We are both old, and if you say it, our dreams are fickle things. Come out, then, and let us pretend."

Do you wonder then, my masters, if I and my traps of old wend our way to the polluted house-girt stream where—shades of Swinburne—

. . . still there blooms the heather Where no trout lives for ever Where life can never sever The hopes we had of yore.

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#### LAWN TENNIS: THE "GASCON RAISONNABLE"

M. LACOSTE AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

HERE is a saying that there is nothing so dangerous as a "Gascon raisonnable"; what makes him formidable is that there is method in his madness. He unites in himself the two usually dissociated qualities both of of which singly are ascribed to Frenchmen—the courage with that dash of recklessness in it which made the Brigadier Gerard such a difficult man to stop, and the disposition to act upon a logical principle. In him joy in battle is joined to a faculty for selecting the most advantageous battle-ground. There would be a perfect example of him if M. Lacoste, who won the Lawn Tennis Championship last year, and M. Borotra, who won it the year before, could be amalgamated. Fortunately for other aspirants to the Championship, they remain distinct; for, in two consecutive years, each has shown himself so completely master of his own methods as to beat all his opponents in his own half of the draw and meet the other in the final. If events and entries take the expected course, on the principle which now governs the draw at Wimbledon the two Frenchmen will be put in different sections, and Mr. Tilden, if he is to maintain the position accorded to him of best player in the world

and Mr. Tilden, if he is to maintain the position accorded to him of best player in the world, should have to beat them both in turn. As was pointed out in the last of these articles, it would have been taken for certain this time last year that he would beat them both; but the would beat them both; but there is no such certainty now. If you read the books which give instruction about the game, you will find yourself recom-mended to study the tactics of the best masters; and if you are young and earnest, while you are making your way from South-fields to Wimbledon you pro-bably mean to do it.

In your mind, the bald advertisement of the All England Club would have taken, last year, some such shape as this:
"On Wednesday at 3 Mr. Tilden will play five sets against M. Borotra, in the course of which he will illustrate the correct

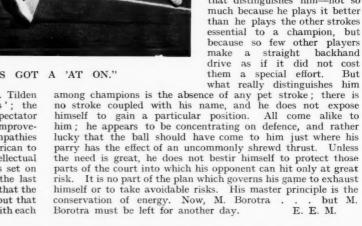
which he will illustrate the correct procedure to adopt in order to render a sustained volleying attack ineffective; on Thursday at the same hour Mr. Tilden will take for his subject, 'Plans and their Limitations'; the plan will be submitted by M. Lacoste." This year the spectator will be more concerned with the outcome than with self-improvement; though, if he starts without having his sympathies engaged on one side or the other, he will want the American to beat the first Frenchman he is drawn against, for the intellectual treat of seeing him play the other with all his energies set on winning—and that is really a tribute to France. In the last two years we have been denied a final of that kind; not that the two French players were not trying to beat each other, but that two French players were not trying to beat each other, but that they had played each other so often and were so familiar with each

other's methods that it was impossible for them, or for the spectators, to take one more encounter between them either as decisive or as illustrating the capacity of the great player to meet and produce the unexpected. In a match between the two Frenchmen there cannot be as much at stake as in a match between either of them and Mr. Tilden; and it is in the match in which there is everything at stake that the great player surpasses himself. This year, though M. Lacoste holds the Championship, with the spectators the Frenchmen will be regarded as the challengers if Mr. Tilden competes. if Mr. Tilden competes.

It is suggestive of M. Lacoste's methods that when he is

engaged with an opponent who does not draw him out he does not proclaim himself a champion to the uninitiated. The general standard of play is so high that, in a stroll round the "outside" courts," he would not catch the untrained eye. He would not be seen making any specially brilliant stroke, and it might well be that he would not be winning his sets by an overwhelming margin. It might

be taken as one more evidence of his adaptability that, on an outside court, he looks to be playing an outside court game playing an outside court game; one irreverent person had to resort to an old joke as a means of describing him to an enquirer: "T'owd man's i't' pigsty. Tha'll knaw which is feyther. 'E's got a 'at on'; for when you see a player with a cap like the cap worn by boys at like the cap worn by boys at a prep. school, under it is the champion. Again, when you see a racket drawn back for a backhand drive, poised for a fraction of a second and then fraction of a second and then swept smoothly forwards with the player's head bowed over it so as to counteract any tendency to pull, that player is M. Lacoste. That is the stroke that distinguishes him—not so much because he plays it better than he plays the other strokes essential to a champion, but because so few other players make a straight backhand drive as if it did not cost them a special effort. But what really distinguishes him ace of any pet stroke; there is





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HE extent of the late Lord Leverhulme's activities as a collector of furniture, porcelain and objects of art can be measured by the time it takes for their dispersal. Besides the very considerable section sold in America early this year and the collection in the Lever Gallery, there still remain the contents of his Lancashire properties and of Lews Castle, Stornoway, which come up for auction in June. Of this last section, the most interesting pieces date from the eighteenth century.

A number of side-tables in the collection belong to the

A number of side-tables in the collection belong to the period when furniture fell under the influence of William Kent and other "Palladian" architects of the Early Georgian era, who echoed the monumental furniture of the sparsely furnished Italian palaces they had seen in their studies abroad, and set in their halls or saloons "large enough to receive a company of sixty or a hundred persons" six or eight chairs and a couple of tables. Side-tables with richly carved frames and marble tops, such as the example in the present collection, from Worth Park, were to be found in the hall, the saloon and the dining-room. The thick slab is of Brescia marble, the legs of the broken scroll type, connected to the frieze by a long serrated acanthus leaf, while in the centre is a cartouche pendant, upon which the carved human mask is in very high relief. An elmwood cabinet, with its centre crowned by a heavily moulded pediment and angles carved with quoins, is also architectural in feeling; it rests not upon an enclosed lower stage, but upon a stand supported by scaled consoles. Contemporary with, but lighter in design than this architect's furniture is that of walnut and early mahogany based on and continuing the traditional types of the earlier eighteenth century. Of this a fine example is a triple-back settee of mahogany. Here (Fig. 3) the peculiar back, in which the uprights of the back are broken by a volute, and the urn-shaped splat carved with an elongated scallop shell, is identical with a walnut chair for the Bury family at Kateshill, for a long time said to have been made by the father of Thomas Chippendale. A mahogany commode

(Fig. 1) can be more definitely associated with Thomas Chippendale, or, at any rate, with a published design in his "Director." This design, dated 1753 and described as a "French commode table," was carried out with variations in a commode which was at Raynham in Norfolk until 1921, and was probably made for Captain Townshend between 1750 and 1757. The Leverhulme commode, which is serpentine-fronted and shaped in three divisions, rests upon scroll legs of a pronounced inward curve; the two pilasters between the drawers are carved with pendants of flowers tied by a ribbon bow, and the projecting angles with a cabochon and scrolls. The apron is shaped and carved with leafy scrolls and shellwork. Both commodes have in common the floral pendants on the pilasters, the roped cock-beading of the drawers, and the sharply incurved scroll leg resting upon a carved block. Such commodes, termed "French" in the "Director," were an English version of the French creation, which, however, at this date relied not upon carving but upon a richly patterned surface of veneers and marquetry and upon ormolu mountings. In the last thirty years of the eighteenth century, however, the English cabinet-makers turned to the possibilities of marquetry and mounting for commedos.

The English marquetry of this period shows an increasing

The English marquetry of this period shows an increasing finesse in craftsmanship; the choice, light woods used as veneer, such as harewood and satinwood, were carefully chosen, and relieved by bandings and borders of darker woods. Inlay was most conspicuously employed upon the top and front of the commodes, which were decorated with oval or circular medallions inlaid with vases of flowers or covered urns in coloured woods, finished by fine engraving, and with details and borderings in the classic manner. Whatever the use of the earlier mahogany commodes or commode tables, the inlaid and painted pieces of the Late Georgian period were, as Sheraton informs us, "never intended for use but for ornament," and served as "principal pieces" in the decoration of rooms. A commode of serpentine shape (Fig. 4) gains character from the boldly projecting rosewood

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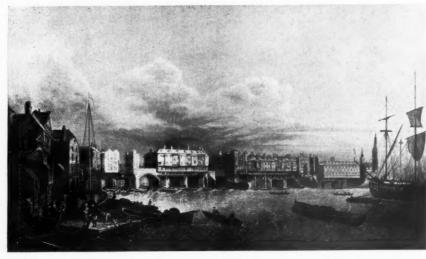
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keel at the angles, the bandings of tulipwood, and the contrasting veneers of satinwood with a striped figure. It has two doors in front which are de-corated with large circular medallions inlaid with vases of flowers. The honeycorated with large circular medallions inlaid with vases of flowers. The honey-suckle-headed angle mounts of gilt brass are identical with those upon a commode in Mr. Leopold Hirsch's collection, which is probably by the same hand. A second commode (Fig. 5) owes even more to the French marqueteurs. The serpentine front and sides are overlaid with boldly figured Porto Rico satinwood, edged with a wide margin of laburnum; its top is inlaid with a circle and foliate scrollwork; while the edge is outlined with a border of interlaced ribbon and reed ornament. The two doors are inlaid with a trophy of musical instruments and musical books, caught by a knot from a laurelled swag falling over circular pateræ. The meeting of the doors is cleverly disguised by an inlaid pendant of graduated husks, and at the angles, as in French models, are the chased and gilt brass mounts of rococo design which protected the vital points of the veneered structure. In a pair of commodes, also of serpentine form, the mounts protecting the angles and the meeting of the doors are merely narrow mouldings of gilt metal. The top is inlaid with a basket of flowers within a banded border, while the front is inlaid with a two-handled vase upon each of the cupboard doors, while upon each side is inlaid a covered vase of each of the cupboard doors, while upon each side is inlaid a covered vase of classic form. In a pair of commodes, in which the serpentine curvature of in which the serpentine curvature of the front and sides is slight, the frieze, panels and sides are of satinwood with borders of rosewood. The top is inlaid with demi-mermaids, who are hold-ing a wreath of foliage, the cupboard doors inlaid with shaded and engraved oak-leaf festoons entwined with a slender

oak-leaf festoons entwined with a slender cord and falling over lion masks, and with two large pateras.

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2.—PAINTED CHAIRS, PART OF A SET OF SIX. Circa 1790.



3.-MAHOGANY TRIPLE-BACK SETTEE. Circa 1735.

skilled minor artist, working upon the many decorative contemporary engravings after Cipriani, and Hamilton and Kauffmann, who is recommended by Sheraton to "have a general insight into the works of Italian artists of the Renaissance," and



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It is unusual to find painted furniture definitely attributed to one of the minor painters of the late eighteenth century. In a pair of semicircular side-tables, which are painted cream, the circular medallions of Orpheus and the Nine Muses are attributed to William Hamilton (1751–1801), who had studied in Italy under Zucchi and painted arabesques and ornaments in his style. These are known as the "Hamilton tables."

Two sets of painted chairs in the Leverhulme collection show this skilful pictorial treatment. In the first, the set of armchairs painted grey, with gilt mouldings, have two back rails painted in grisaille with children at play, while the seat rail is a tablet decorated with a foliate scroll. In the second, a set of six armchairs (Fig. 2), the panel set at the junction of the vertical spars of the splat and the back rail is painted with children at play. The collection will be sold by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley at Hanover Square on June 3rd and 4th, 10th and 11th, 15th, 16th and 18th, and 24th and 25th.

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A subject greatly favoured by Kändler is that of national types in costume—Tyrolese, Hungarians, Poles. Later other nations took their place among these decorative and richly dressed figures, such as the Turk in various forms, and other Oriental personages in flowered and brightly coloured robes. The pedlar, coppersmith, gardener and hawkers resemble Bouchardon's Cris de Paris, engraved 1737-42.

The dignified figure of the Avvocato, in white, and the clown are figures in the Commedia dell' arte. The pair of peasants, one carrying a goat and the woman a basket of eggs, are mounted upon their original ormolu bases. Some graceful French criers, were modelled by Kändler, with the assistance of Reinicke, after coloured drawings dated 1753.

Other figures are types of craftsmen, one of the rarest of the groups being that described as a group of freemasons "representing two freemasons, one is measuring a globe while holding one hand to his mouth, the other is sitting by and thinking; both have their aprons and their orders on." The colouring and gilding of this rare group are extremely brilliant: it was made in

both have their aprons and their orders on." The colouring and gilding of this rare group are extremely brilliant; it was made in 1744. To 1737 belongs the "Bruehl Tailor," a tailor riding a goat. At the accession of Augustus III in 1733, his Minister, Count Heinrich von Bruehl, zealously supervised the factory, and his influence grew when he was appointed principal manager. The exceedingly large number of china articles which he ordered for his own personal use, also had a definite influence upon the artists.

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FRENCH COLOUR PRINTS.

The late Mr. F. L. James's collection of

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The late Mr. F. L. James's collection of French colour prints and line engravings is well known to students and collectors, and a number have been reproduced in Mr. Campbell Dodgson's book upon old French colour prints. Rare and fine examples are Debucourt's "La Main" and "La Rose," Fragonard's "L'Amour" and "La Rolie," and Janinet's "Marie Antoinette." Following these are some fine line engravings after Baudouin, Freudeberg, Moreau and Lavreince, all in early states. "L'Amour" and "La Folie," by Janinet after Fragonard, which are a much sought-after pair, reproducing the unusual reddish brown colouring relieved by touches of blue, are in proof state before letters, with only the names

of the artist and engraver. Janinet's colour print of Marie Antoinette (1777), after Gautier-Dagoty, "one of the capital pieces of Janinet's work, and one of the most famous of all French colour prints," has various states. The example in the James collection is a trial proof, in which the elaborate frame is printed in pink and gold without the addition of blue. There are proofs before all letters of Janinet's attractive pair, "Réunion des Plaisirs," and "La Compagne de Pomone," after Leclerc, with margins beyond the platemarks; of Debucourt's well known pair of prints of the year 1788: "La Rose" and "La Main," with the verses intact below, and "Les Bouquets" and "Le Compliment." The collection will be sold by Messrs. Sotheby on Wednesday, June 9th.

#### RECENT SALES.

The well known Bischoffsheim collection sold at Messrs. Christie's during the first week of the strike realised very high prices, the pictures, on May 7th, amounting to the large total of £91,794. Among these, fourteen pictures reached four figures: P. de Koninck's extensive view over Holland, which cost 575 guineas in 1872, reaching 7,500 guineas, and a pair by Drouais, "A House of Cards' and "Blowing Bubbles," realising 13,000 guineas. Boucher's "Vertumnus and Pomona" realised 2,000 guineas: Hoppner's portrait of the "Blowing Bubbles," realising 13,000 guineas. Boucher's "Vertumnus and Pomona" realised 2,000 guineas; Hoppner's portrait of the Hon. Leicester Stanhope as a boy, 6,000 guineas; Romney's portrait of Lady Lushington, 8,300 guineas; Reynold's Miss Charlotte Fisher, 1,900 guineas; Van Ochtervelt's "The Dish of Oysters," 1,350 guineas; Van Ruysdael's "A Distant View of Amsterdam," 1,700 guineas. The very interesting portrait by Antonio Mor of Elizabeth of Valois, Queen of Spain, which in 1863 was sold at Christie's for 140 guineas, was sold for 10,500 guineas. On Friday, May 14th, "A Portrait of a Gentleman" by Frans Hals realised 3,600 guineas, and two fine views of Venice by Guardi, 2,600 guineas. The record price of 2,600 guineas was reached by the newly discovered Ben Marshall hunting piece of "Mr. Francis Dukinfield Astley with his Harriers," which was illustrated in COUNTRY LIFE on May 1st. It is one of the earliest examples of Marshall's work. Hobbema's masterly and characteristic landscape with a clump of three trees reached 6,000 guineas. At a recent sale at Messrs. Sotheby's a fine impression of Rembrandt's Three Trees brought £700.



MAHOGANY BOOKCASE. Circa 2735.



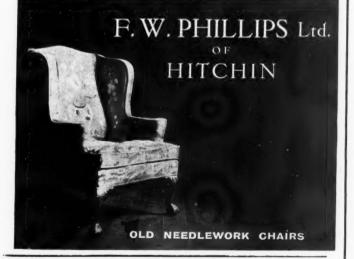
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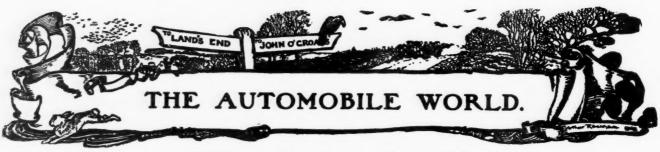
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were used both front and rear. Now this type of springing is used only at the rear.

As a result of these changes the 9-20 h.p. Rover acquires a unique distinction among cars costing about £200. It becomes the smallest of our large cars and the largest of our small cars. By this is meant that it has the smallest engine of any car offering an equal body accommodation and conversely it has a much roomier body than most cars rated at less than 11 h.p. The change is quite significant as illustrative of modern tendencies in car development, and the tendency is even better illustrated if we take into consideration the still earlier small car made by the Rover Company since the war. The 8 h.p. air-cooled twin Rover was obviously and frankly a car from which every pretension to luxury and even elegance had been omitted on the score of low purchase cost. Incidentally it is of interest that this 8 h.p. car at one period of its history was selling, and selling rapidly, at 50 per cent. more than the present price of the vastly improved four-cylinder 9-20. Then this four-cylinder model was introduced to give more refinement and more liveliness of performance than was possible from the air-cooled twin, but like the air-cooled model it was essentially a car without the embellishments of luxury and with a body that, if endowed with a useful carrying capacity, was yet far from even imitating the claims of the conventional four-five-seater. It was, if memory serves aright, purely an "occasional four" type of body. The chassis was thoroughly up to date according to the standards of the time, but its quarter elliptic springs and certain other details were essentially details of the small, low-priced car, and no one could have foreseen, judging by that car, that it was to develop into the vehicle which is the 9-20 Rover of to-day.

Four-wheel brakes are things that the modern motorist, once having tried, does not like to be without, but a conscientious car manufacturer does not put brakes on his front wheels when these are on an axle suspended by quarter-elliptic springs. And so with recognition of the demand for four-wheel brakes came semi-elliptic springs on the Rover Nine, with necessary re-designing of the chassis frame to provide dumb irons to carry the springs. Similarly the all-weather equipment of the original Nine, though no worse than that of some other small cars, was not so good as it might have been, and this is but one of the many details that have been improved

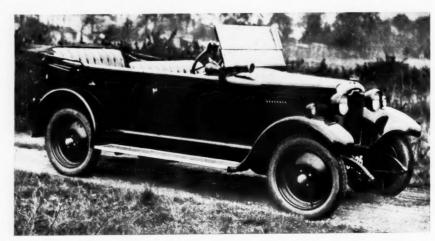
in the new bodies and go towards making them among the best of modern small car bodies.

This elaborating tendency among small cars is very much regretted in some quarters, for it is considered that the largest market exists for the simplest possible car. Plausible though the argument may sound it does not seem to be upheld by the indisputable facts of the matter. These facts of the matter are that the ordinary purchaser, looking for a small car, considers, firstly, what it looks like and, secondly, what it costs; he may stretch one or two points in the latter respect, but never a point will he yield in the first, and whether a car be really good or bad he insists that it shall look good and shall appear to offer him true value for his money. This point of view may not be the highest wisdom, but it is certainly very potent. And let it be remembered that because a car maker caters for it, he does not thereby commit himself to producing a car that is mainly "eye-wash." A good car generally

push-rod operated, mounted in a detachable cylinder head and enclosed by the usual detachable cover, the whole of the operating mechanism being lubricated direct from the main engine system. A useful detail feature in the valve operation is the large cups at the tops of the push rods, which are automatically supplied with oil that acts as a cushion between push rod and rocker arm and so exercises a silencing effect which accounts for the quietness of the Rover valve gear as compared with the overhead systems of most small cars.

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Another feature of the Rover, very rare on small cars, is pump circulation for the cooling water. Mounted at the front of the engine on the off side, this pump is very get-at-able, not that it is likely to require any special amount of attention, and a rearward extension of its spindle provides the magneto drive, the magneto itself being in a position that is certainly not convenient for access to the contact-breaker and distributor, these things being impeded by the steering



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When it is remembered that the Rover Company was one of the first British concerns to produce commercially a genuine economy car, no one will be inclined even to question whether the apparent goodness and elaboration of their new Nine is mere surface goodness. A company whose twenty year old Sixes and Eights—both singles in the number of their cylinders—may be seen running and giving really good service on the roads to-day, is not likely to prejudice so firmly established a reputation for workmanship by a stupid mistake in its years of maturity and wisdom.

It is not now necessary to do more

It is not now necessary to do more than review briefly the main features of the specification of this Nine or Nine-Twenty car, as it has already been described in these pages. The engine, then, has its four cylinders, with a bore and stroke of 60mm. by 95mm., cast monobloc in iron and bolted down to the aluminium crank case, which is extended rearwards to form a single clutch-pit gear-box unit. The valves are overhead,

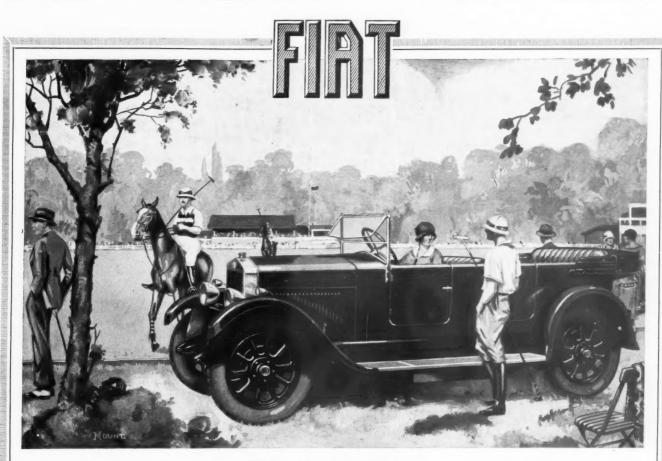
column, with its control rods for ignition and carburettor. Steering of the car is now by worm and segment in contrast with the original rack and pinion, and needless to say, the change is a vast improvement.

The carburettor, mounted just above

The carburettor, mounted just above the magneto but with a tray underneath it to prevent any fuel from dropping on to a possibly dangerous spot, is fed from a gravity tank in the scuttle, which has a capacity of no less than  $6\frac{1}{2}$  gallons and also that invaluable fitting, a two-way tap. Every car of any shape or size ought to have a two-way fuel tap, but the Rover Nine is one of the very few that discharge this obligation. Just forward of the magneto and on the timing gear case is the pleasantly accessible oil filler, and on the near side of the engine are the positively driven dynamo, the exhaust manifold and the sparking plugs just below it.

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Transmission is through a plate clutch running dry to a three-speed gear-box with central control and thence through an open propeller shaft to a worm-driven rear axle. This combination of an open propeller shaft with quarter elliptic rear



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springs is a rather unusual feature of design, and, judging from my experience of the car tested, is not an altogether good departure. Torque reaction is taken by a short torque member, spring mounted on a cross-member of the chassis, and the juddering and chatter of this member when the car was being started from rest or being slowly driven on top gear was anything but pleasant. Drastic modification of the design of this part of the chassis, with more efficient means of taking the torque reaction, should not be difficult; considerable lengthening of the torque member might alone make a very real improvement, but something is certainly called for.

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The suspension of the car has already been described, and, but for this transmission judder, which is partly, at least, due to the rear spring system, it is very good springing, the car holding the road really well and travelling over bad surfaces quite as smoothly and comfortably as any other ordinary small car. The wheels are steel discs for 27in. by 4.4in. balloon tyres, and braking is on all four wheels by pedal-operated internal expanding shoes, the hand brake, now operated by a central lever alongside the gear lever, consisting of an independent pair of shoes in the rear wheels only. The chassis measurements are: Track, 4ft.; wheel-base, 8ft. 8ins.; and ground clearance, 8ins.

#### BODYWORK AND EQUIPMENT.

Although described as a four-seater, and although the sensible owner would not even attempt to carry a heavier load, this Rover four-door body has space enough for five adult passengers. In roominess and in ease of ingress and egress, owing to its very wide doors, this car is, indeed, actually comparable to many a so-called medium-powered family tourer, and its useful carrying space—its seats are 45ins. wide—is further increased by the provision of a luggage grid as part of the standard equipment. An adjustable driving seat makes for the maximum comfort of differently sized drivers, though I thought that if this seat could have been given another two or three inches of possible forward movement its value would have been still further increased.

This car certainly takes its place

This car certainly takes its place among our elaborately equipped small cars, for it has everything from spring gaiters to driving mirror that one has a right to expect, and, of course, it also has the rigid type of side curtains opening



Near side of the Rover 9-20 h.p. engine, with water-pump (between crank case and radiator), dynamo and exhaust manifold.



Carburettor, magneto and oil filler on the off side of the Rover engine.

with the doors. The all-weather equipment is another of the details of the current models that show a great improvement over the original, and the present side curtains, stowed when not in use behind the squab of the rear seat, are as good as may be found on any reasonably priced car. This Rover, with its luxurious body and generous equipment, now sells at £225, but is also available without four wheel brakes at £217 10s.

#### ON THE ROAD.

In mere capacity on the road, this car may best be characterised as a very fair example of the good quality modern light car. In view of the size of its body and the plentifulness of its equipment, it is more or less obvious that the car will not have that striking speed on the level and on hills that still so often surprises the driver of the modern small car; but it is more than just creditable that, even with its roomy body fully occupied, the Rover 9-20 h.p. can put up a very good showing against any ordinary small car. And in one, or perhaps two, quite important respects it is very much above the average. These respects are the flexibility and liveliness of the engine.

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capacity.

Under fair conditions the maximum speed of this Rover proved to be 50 m.p.h. with a maximum "accelerating" speed of 42 m.p.h., the car holding 40 m.p.h. as a possible average with complete comfort and ease. On second gear the maximum possible was 35 m.p.h., but about 30 m.p.h. on this gear is the highest speed for all normal purposes. In hill climbing the capacity of the car is practically what may be called the light car average. There are small cars which are faster on hills, there are others which are certainly slower; the Rover is a good representative of the mean between modern extremes.

While not particularly sweet, the engine is very much quieter than the normal small car power unit, and its vibrations do not attain the seriousness of an annoying period except at maximum speeds, especially on second gear. For all ordinary travelling at a very useful average speed, this Rover is certainly one of our genuinely attractive economy cars, and the driver who never calls upon it for its maximum will certainly find it a car of which the general merit and ease of running have very few rivals in the moderately priced small car class.

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Whereas the steering of the original models was apt to vary so that, while one car might be exceedingly good, another was sometimes not altogether pleasant, this variation seems to have



Front view of the 9-20 Rover, showing the new front axle and the lamps mounted on the radiator as in the larger Rover model.



Seating accommodation of the new Rover, showing the gear and hand-brake control, and the slides for the adjustable front seat.

disappeared with the adoption of worm and segment steering, and the directional control of the current model is in every way as pleasant as that of any small car available. With its comfortable seating and chassis springing, with really satisfactory braking, and with a gear change that, once mastered, is normally easy, this Rover may be characterised as one of the few small cars that may be driven for long distances at a stretch without unduly tiring the normal driver. This is a thing that cannot be said of many small cars, even if they may be more brilliant performers than this Rover, and it is, perhaps, a far more useful asset than the mere capacity for high speeds in short bursts. There is a pleasure in handling the fast car, it is true, but the car that can only be fast at the expense of nerve strain on its driver is, after all, a rather doubtful possession.

W. Harold Johnson.

#### THE BUDGET.

RVENTS of the last few weeks have naturally somewhat obscured an issue that before the strike was of supreme interest. But the Budget is still with us, and still deserves careful consideration. Private motorists read it with a feeling of relief and pleasant surprise. They had expected their cars to be subjected to extra taxation—in the form of a luxury tax—and they found that they had to pay no more than has been the case for the past few years. They also found that the heavy vehicles, which admittedly do most damage to the roads, are to pay much more than in the past and so there seemed to be cause for general satisfaction. But this satisfaction is surely based on very slender ground. It may be good not to have to meet an expected new demand, but it is advisable that the motoring community should look facts in the face and not be blinded by superficial sops.

While the actual contributions of the private motorist remain the same, the taxation of private cars is in effect increased because it is being put on a new basis. According to the Chancellor's argument only two-thirds of the money paid by the private car and motor cycle owner is required for road maintenance; in other words, these vehicles are paying 33½ per cent. more than they should according to a strict and proper interpretation of the motive of the Road Fund. When the present system of taxation was

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introduced it was accompanied by a definite promise that if, and when, the revenue from it exceeded the specialised demands on that revenue (it was to be devoted entirely to the maintenance and improve-ment of existing roads), then the contri-bution from the motorist should be corres-pondingly reduced.

It is now definitely and officially stated that the motorists' contribution exceeds the proper demands it was designed to meet, but, instead of being reduced, that contribution remains unchanged and onethird of it is definitely switched off to constitute what is in effect, an entirely separate and new tax—a luxury tax. It is a common argument heard to-day in motoring circles, that there is practically no luxury motoring to-day; the motoring we see all round is utility motoring, it is transport of the car owners on purposes that cannot by any stretch of imagination

be called luxury or pleasure motoring. To this argument we do not quite subscribe. Let it be admitted that although the motor car is being increasingly used for purely utilitarian purposes, the fact remains that at the present time the majority of private car owners in this country look upon their cars as vehicles of pleasure. They use their cars because they like motoring, not because they must travel by road. To differentiate between the pleasure and the business motorist from the point of view of taxation would involve a return to the old system whereby certain users e.g., doctors—were allowed a rebate of the old "Inland Revenue Licence." Such a system, with its fine and complicated dis-tinctions, would to-day be quite unwork-able and reasonably minded motorists of able and reasonably minded motorists of all kinds will appreciate that whereas in some cases the car may be purely a utility vehicle, a distinction between the two classes of users is now impracticable. A certain amount of hardship may be in-volved, but this is inevitable and what is more it is not of significant quantity.

All this, however, is but poor justification for the diversion of one-third of existing taxation into the form of a luxury tax. It is, of course, merely the Chancellor' method of carrying out his threatened "Raid on the Road Fund." If the Chancellor had said "You motorists are paying more than three times as much as is needed for road maintenance and are is needed for road maintenance and are therefore entitled to remission of part of your road taxation, but I must have more money from you and therefore I will halve your present tax and will impose a new luxury tax equal to one-third the amount of that tax," then there would have been more apparent justice and common sense about his action. As things are at present he falls hopelessly things are at present he falls hopelessly between two stools, either of which might have provided him with a firm seat.

As regards the policy or ethics of the raiding of the Road Fund, this is a matter on which there is room for difference of opinion. We feel that some, at least, of the motorists' agitation against it is the motorists' agitation against it is rather misplaced. The point is that the roads require a certain amount of money spent on them—and they get it. Whether spent on them—and they get it. Whether that money comes in the form of a direct contribution from those who use the roads or whether it comes from general revenue, of which part is paid by road users in addition to their contributions as citizens,

does not seem to cut much ice.
In 1921-22 forty-one millions were spent on the roads, of which eleven came from the Road Fund and the rest from rates; in 1923-24, fourteen came from the Road Fund and twenty-six from the rates, the total expenditure remaining practically the same. The position then is that of the total expenditure on the roads only a proportion comes from the road user direct. Whether the road user pays that proportion into the user pays that proportion into the actual roads exchequer or whether he pays it into the national exchequer, whence it is subsequently paid out for the roads, is surely not a matter for violent agitation and protest.

#### A FUEL TAX?

In his Budget speech the Chancellor spoke hopefully of a return to the fuel tax. Now, as is well known, all motorists other than those representing the heavyvehicle big-mileage interests, favour a fuel tax as the only equitable means of raising revenue from the road user, because it is the only method that makes him pay according to the use he makes of the roads. The fuel tax was dropped when the £1 per horse-power tax on private cars and a tax according to carrying capacity (in passengers or weight) on other vehicles were introduced, and its revival has been prevented by two things. The first is an prevented by two things. The first is an alleged insuperable difficulty of collection, a difficulty that has been unceasingly put forward but never satisfactorily ex-plained, and the second is resistance to the tax on the part of bodies representing

the tax on the part of bodies representing the vehicles that pile up the biggest mileage and do most damage to the roads.

Without making any explicit reference to the difficulties of collection, the Chancellor now gives us to understand that, after all, the fuel tax may be a desirable and possible thing, and in order to bring the heavy-vehicle big-mileage interests round to be represented to be represented to the property of round to his way of thinking, he drastically increases the taxes they now pay—but still on the same basis and still without any relation to mileage and so the road damage they cause. It is generally expected that as the result of these new taxes, the interests hitherto opposed to the taxes, the interests hitherto opposed to the fuel tax will become among its keenest supporters, and as the difficulty of collection bogey seems to have been forgotten, or at least buried, it is probable that motorists are at last on the way to getting what they have so long demanded.

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#### THE McKENNA DUTIES.

Concentration on the immediate question of domestic taxation has, somewhat naturally, rather clouded the Chancellor's changes in the sphere of import duties. Those on private cars remain unchanged—at 33\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent.—but now for the first time they are applied to commercial vehicles. After the war, when the re-import of Army vehicles into America was prevented by an import tax of 90 per cent. (even though the vehicles had been made in America), the British home and colonial markets were deluged with surplus Army vehicles, many of American manufacture, with the result that the home industry was almost exterminated, for the time being at least. Gradually these Army vehicles have been used up and the British maker has established himself as the maker of the world's best commercial vehicles, with the result that in 1925 only 655 commercial vehicles were imported, as compared with 2260 in 1921. If a really heavy tax had been imposed on heavy vehicles immediately after the war, the home industry would have benefited enormously and the State would have secured a useful revenue. To tax the vehicles now, however, means little one way or the other. As a matter of principle, it is, of course, good; but in practice the results either in revenue or in protecting the home industry will be almost negligible.

#### TYRES.

It is extraordinary that there is no suggestion of an import tax on foreign tyres. On commercial vehicles the tax means nothing, but on tyres it would still

be of considerable real value. It was only by a bargain with America, before that country entered the war, that tyres were excluded from the scope of the original McKenna duties. When America entered the war the reason for that exclusion disappeared automatically, and a justification for the duty exists to-day, as it has existed all along.

all along.

With the general merit or principles of the Budget we are not now concerned, but it is well to emphasise, from the point of view of the private motorist, that while he might have been worse treated, he is certainly entitled to more consideration than he has got. And there is one very strange paradox in connection with the new taxes on heavy vehicles. Although the increments are frankly due, at least in part, to the road damage for which these vehicles are responsible, there is no attempt at differentiation between the solid and pneumatic tyred. Other things being equal, a solid-tyred vehicle causes about three times as much road damage as one on pneumatics, and it seems logical that there should be official recognition of the fact—as there is already in other countries. A fuel tax would, of course, automatically make this differentiation, as the solid-tyred vehicle uses so much more fuel than one of the same capacity on pneumatic tyres.

#### THE ROAD.

NABILITY or refusal to adapt our point of view to changing conditions is at the root of many of our most acute modern problems, and in no way is this better illustrated than in those questions which involve modern traffic and the modern road. Whether it be in analysing the causes of accidents or in seeking the solution to some problem of traffic congestion, we are too apt to think in terms of days gone by and to overlook that what might have been perfectly good

reasoning and argument a few years ago is not by any means justifiable to-day. The Budget has reminded all road

The Budget has reminded all road users, which means everybody, that roads and the vehicles that use them are receiving much attention from our legislators; but the powers that be cannot be expected to get the best possible results if they are hampered by unintelligent or misinformed public opinion. A policy as regards the roads which would have been quite sound even a decade ago might be actually disastrous to-day, and this is a point that our rulers are somewhat naturally inclined to overlook. The rapidity of modern changes is apt to leave the average mind lagging behind

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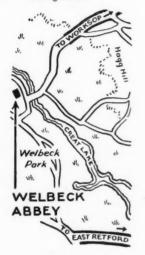
To-day the road is one of the most important factors in our national life, and there is every indication that its importance is going to increase for many years to come. The same conditions obtained a century ago, with the difference that then they were recognised because there was no other means of transport that could challenge the road and divert attention from it. Fifty years ago all this had been changed, and for nearly half a century if roads had ceased altogether—that is, roads other than town and suburban streets—comparatively few people would have been seriously inconvenienced or even perturbed. And then, towards the end of the nineteenth century, came another change. With the coming of the cycle, the road became a valuable pathway to pleasure for a large section of the community.

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From that day to this the road, or, rather, its value, has continued to grow. The growth has not been due simply to further development of the movement that began it, although this has remained and is still an important factor: it has been, and it is, due in the main to the coming of the mechanically propelled vehicle. While remaining and even developing as a pathway to pleasure, the

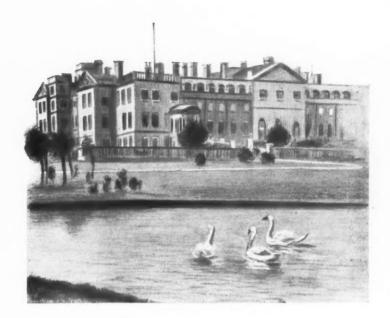






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any cost.
So long as there are railways and aeroplanes, the road can never be quite the same as it was a hundred years ago, but it already occupies a position that makes absurd any application to it and to its problems of the frame of mind that would have been quite justifiable ten years ago.

#### MOTOR TRADE "SPLITS."

OME rather interesting developments S are now going on in motor trade politics, and one of them, at least, may lead to something of considerable interest to the private car owner. This is the situation arising from the recent Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders ban on public competitive events. We ban on public competitive events. We have already reviewed the general position as regards this matter, and there is no need to retread the ground, except that it may be desirable to repeat that the S.M.M.T. has recently prohibited its members from taking part in any competitive events other than those held at Brooklands Track and two other speed events (definitely specified) during the current year.

Contrary to the statements that have

appeared in some quarters, this ban does not apply merely to racing, but to all not apply merely to racing, but to all kinds of competitive events, including the reliability trials, which are not strictly competitive in that many entrants may gain the highest possible award. The reasons for the ban are that these events have become so numerous that they constitute a serious financial strain on manufacturers taking part in them, and the main objections to the ban are that it deprives newcomers to the industry of an opportunity of proving their mettle, and it also deprives the public of a useful and independent guide to the relative merits of cars on the market.

In view of the fact that American cars

are seldom, if ever, entered for such events by their makers or the makers' representaby their makers of the makers representa-tives in this country, one is, naturally, prompted to wonder what part, if any, American interests have played in the institution of the ban, though it must be stated that there is at present no concrete evidence for supposing anything of the sort.

The ban does not affect the private

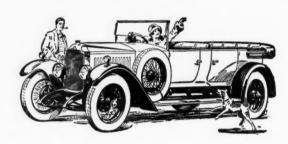
owner of a car who enters into these events purely for the fun of the thing—and there are many such private owners—and it is natural to wonder whether the object of the ban will be completely defeated by the recrudescence of the "shamateur." The shamateur, or sham amateur, as a man who, entering competitive events as a private owner, is really working in the interests of the maker of the car he drives, and receives direct financial or other assistance. This fear is, however, other assistance. This fear is, however, completely removed by the fact that the ban also extends to the advertising of trials successes; obviously, no firm has an interest in supporting any driver if it cannot make public use of the successes he may gain at their expense. The most important aspect of the ban from the point of view of the private car owner lies in the means that the S.M.M.T. has for enforcing it—by excluding any firm which disregards it from the annual Olympia Show. The Motor Show (to be held this year at the end of October) has developed from a purely trade and business affair into a function having a very wide appeal both at home and overseas; but it is a fact that for some years a feeling has been growing throughout the motor trade that, to a large extent, the Show is a serious waste of time and money and that it might be a good thing either for it to become a biennial affair or even to be abolished altogether. This may not be the general opinion, but still may not be the general opinion, but still it is a view which has a quite extensive

it is a view which has a quite extensive following.

The threat of exclusion from the Show by which the S.M.M.T. may hope to enforce its ban is, therefore, not such a potent weapon as it might appear to be. There are several firms who lay more stress on reliability trials than on shows, and, while these firms may be in a minority, they include some of the most propressive they include some of the most progressive in the industry. It has been suggested by yet another section of the trade favouring trials and shows, that they might form another society on their own and run their another society on their own and run their own trials and their own annual show. Such a course is, obviously, no more than the suggestion of extremists, and it is difficult to see how it could develop into a successful policy; but the mere fact that it is there is evidence of the strength of the feeling that exists on the matter. It should be understood that this ban of the S.M.M.T. does not in any way directly affect the driver who is a genuine private owner and who enters reliability trials or other events for his own amusement. The events may be held as in the

ment. The events may be held as in the past, but their results may not be used by manufacturers for advertising purposes, and so manufacturers are excluded from





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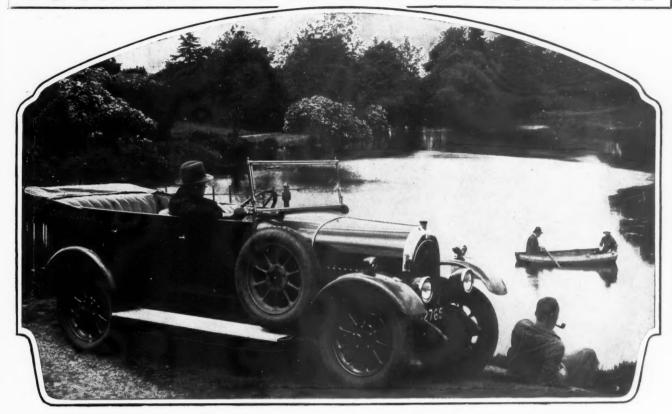
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direct entry in the events-which, of course, has in the past been the mainstay of the trials organisers. It is interesting that the last reliability trial held—the London—Land's End—at Easter—was also the biggest, and certainly met with the largest measure of public support and interest en route.

At this very moment, when the motor car world is so agitated, comes the news of an actual split between the two leading

bodies in the motor cycle world. The Auto-Cycle Union is a branch of the Royal Automobile Club, doing the same work for motor cycling that the R.A.C. does for motoring by four wheeled vehicles. Of the big annual reliability trials the largest these held at Christmes Faster and —those held at Christmas, Easter and Whitsuntide—are organised by the M.C.C., which, although primarily a motor cycling club, has a large car membership and a large car participation in its big events.

Hitherto the big events organised by the M.C.C. have been held with the approval of the A.C.U. as regards motor cycles and of the R.A.C. as regards the cars. The M.C.C. has now maintained its repudiation of A.C.U. control, and the

whole of the competition motor world is in a state of chaos. FOR VISITORS FROM OVER-SEAS AND "SHORT TERM" MOTORISTS.

UCH activity is being shown in nearly all sections of the motor industry at home in the catering for "short term" motorists—people who want the use of a car for a comparatively short period. The majority of these users are visitors from overseas, and, because most of them come from very long distances, it is the rare exception for them to bring their cars with them. In contrast to the British motorist going foreign—usually going to France—our visitors find it much better to get their cars for use over here, rather than to bring their present cars along with them. While it is possible for the British motoring visitor to France to hire a car over there for his use, the process is so expensive that, in contrast to the practice on this side, it is better for the home car to be taken over.

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The methods now available to the visitor to Great Britain vary from those provided by the manufacturer to those of the ordinary and in many cases long established hiring organisation. A lead for manufacturers, now followed by many of them, was set some time ago by Crossleys, who introduced a scheme by which the who introduced a scheme by which the visitor to England bought a Crossley car at the price ruling in his home market, and when he had finished with the car over here he returned to it the makers, who then shipped it out to the buyer's home port without further expense to



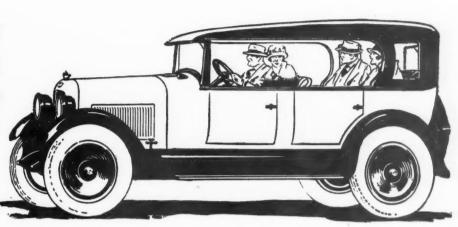
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him. It is a simple scheme, obviously straightforward and reasonable, and it is rather strange it has not been more widely copied your leaver established.

copied nor longer established.

Messrs. Rootes, the well known agents, go a step further. The overseas visitor buys his car from them in the same way, at the price ruling in his territory, and the car is duly shipped out after it has been used over here. But on arrival it is backed by the usual service of the local selling agents, just as if it had been bought from them in the first instance, these agents being paid their commission by Messrs. Rootes through a special arrangement. The scheme is comparatively new and we have received no reports as to its working, but it at least seems promising and deserving of success.

For those who wish to buy a car out-

For those who wish to buy a car outright on arrival in England and sell it again before they leave, there are some firms, such as Auto-Auctions, in Horseferry Road, Westminster, who are willing to make special arrangements which guard the customer from the risk of excessive loss. The car is bought and the buyer is more or less definitely assured of his depreciation risk.

Finally, there are the regular hire companies, such as Daimler Hire, Limited, from whom a car may be chartered for any period from an hour or so to a year or more. The cars are provided complete with drivers and when there are five or six people in the chartering party this may well prove to be the most economical as well as the pleasantest and safest method of getting about town or country.

One company engaged in this business has recently issued a booklet containing particulars and prices of the purposes for which their cars may be used, ranging from a half day sightseeing tour round London to a twelve days tour through most of the show places of England. The charges made seem reasonable in view of the carrying capacity of the cars and the

character of the drivers, who are competent to act as guides, while the hiring may be done on a basis inclusive of all transport charges, including the accommodation of car and driver at nights, or these latter may be left out of the quotation and charged to the hirer as a separate item. But the hirer buys all the fuel—at retail price, of coursc—and at the end of the trip he is credited wholesale price in London.

## ROAD AND RAIL FREIGHT AND TAXATION

ALTHOUGH strikes and the questions arising from them are uppermost in men's minds, we must not forget that a hardly less important or more pleasant subject, to wit the Budget, is far from ripe for dismissal from consideration. Arising partly from the Budget a memorandum was presented by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders to the Minister of Transport just before the strike began, and it has naturally been obscured and all but forgotten in the general chaos. But its interest is national and is in some ways increased rather than diminished by the situation caused by the strike, which, of course, was not thought of when the memorandum was prepared.

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The subject of the paper is the general question of road costs and the sources of revenue for meeting those costs, and it arises directly from statements made by the railway companies (on March 10th) that as the extra expense of road maintenance and road construction was due to the use of the roads by road hauliers, these latter should be called upon to meet the whole of that extra expense. This, at least, is what the statement is probably intended to mean, though, as is not unusual in such things, its wording is sufficiently ambiguous

to allow of some slightly different interpretation being put upon it. This statement, it should be remembered, was made before the introduction of the Budget.

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The reasons given in support of the statement were that road freight and passenger traffic are becoming serious competitors of the railways, and that whereas the railway companies have to maintain their own tracks, commercial road traffic is said to be subsidised by the rates—this is, at least, a controversial point—to which the railway companies are large contributors.

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Fearing that these statements if left alone and unchallenged may give rise to general misapprehension and possible official action unfavourable to road transport interests, the S.M.M.T. has prepared and presented this memorandum from which certain vital facts emerge. As a preamble the S.M.M.T. points out that as one of the largest industries in the country the motor industry is one of the largest of railway customers and is very directly interested in the financial stability of its railway systems.

While much goods and passenger traffic has been diverted from railways to the roads, the road traffic itself creates a vast railway traffic, and recent railway

While much goods and passenger traffic has been diverted from railways to the roads, the road traffic itself creates a vast railway traffic, and recent railway returns go to prove that declining railway receipts are mainly due to declining coal traffic, a deduction endorsed by the public statements of the chairmen of the great companies and supported by definite traffic figures showing great decline in the amount of coal traffic on our chief serious commercial railway systems. On these three railways coal traffic from 1924 to 1925 declined by no fewer than seventeen million tons.

teen million tons.

The next point in the memorandum is that the greater portion, in fact practically the whole, of goods and passenger traffic diverted from the railway to the road is "short hauls" traffic, which thus leaves the railways freer for the

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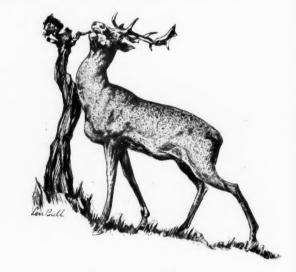
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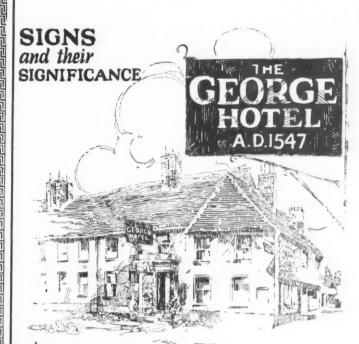


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long distance profitable traffic. Another way in which road transport has helped the railway is by making possible the greater centralisation of terminal stations with resulting economy in many directions. Referring to the questions of the railway companies' contributions to road maintenance, it is shown by recent statistics that not only are the railway payments to the rates declining, but expenditure on the roads from the rates is similarly getting less; in 1923–24 this figure was nearly four and a half millions less than in 1920-21.

A quite important point is made by reference to the railway companies' own direct use of the roads. In addition to numerous motor vehicles (on which, of course, the companies pay the usual road tax) they own no fewer than 32,400 horsedrawn vehicles on which they pay nothing by way of contributions to the roads which these vehicles use.

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There is much more in this memorandum of considerable interest and importance, and copies may be obtained on application to the secretary of the Society at 83, Pall Mall, S.W.I. Two appendices giving (1) details of road expenditure and (2) figures showing the growth of the motor movement and of the motor import and export trade during the past infermative compilations. informative compilations.

#### A NEW GARAGE TRICK.

O one can use a motor car and mix with motorists for any length of time without being struck by the widespread feeling of antagonism that seems to exist between the private owner and the garage proprietor. Undoubtedly much of this is due to misunderstanding on both sides, but where there is smoke there is fire, and it may be worth while to investigate why this unfortunate state of affairs should exist in motoring, while it does not exist in other sports or pas-catered for by an organised industry.

Nine times out of ten the trouble will be found to have started in the case of any individual car owner in his having been charged what he considers an exces amount for some work done. Very often a grievance of this nature can be cleared away when a non-mechanical car owner away when a non-mechanical car owner has explained to him exactly what work was entailed in the execution of some apparent very simple adjustment. Too often the private car owner has little knowledge or appreciation of the difficulty and time involved in proper execution of a repair or adjustment that might have seemed to need only very short attention. I remember a case when an owner went purple on being presented with a bill for purple on being presented with a bill for £3 17s. 6d. for the tightening of a nut, and this was in pre-war days, too, when £3 175. 6d. meant something. But that nut was inside a very inaccessible gearbox; I had seen some of the work in progress and, as an entirely disinterested party, I was entirely convinced by the repairer's claim that the charge was per-

repairer's claim that the charge was perfectly fair and reasonable.

This is one side of the case, and it is a side that should not be forgotten.

"Set a thief to catch a thief"—only one competent repairer is able to judge soundly the charges made by another. The cost of extremely low quality modern labour is another important factor that The cost of extremely low quality modern labour is another important factor that is often overlooked by the car owner, especially when he is not a direct employer of skilled manual labour himself. Not only does the modern garage mechanic receive much higher pay than his predecessor of a few years ago, he does much less for it, and what he does is often of very second rate quality; the decline of the apprentice system not only largely accounts for this, but also directly forces up the labour charges of the garage owner.

#### WORK NOT ORDERED.

Nevertheless, there are occasions when the car owner has a really just grievance, and several instances have come to light and several instances have come to light recently which have a similarity in charac-ter that suggests the growth of a very undesirable practice on the part of the professional repairer. This is the under-taking of work without previous instruc-tions, the work being duly charged up and generally duly paid for even if under protest.

An owner brings in his car for repair to a spring, we will say, and asks for the broken part to be either repaired or replaced. On getting down to the job the replaced. On getting down to the job the garage proprietor finds that with the spring breakage, or perhaps for some other cause—it is immaterial—an axle or other chassis member has been distorted. He promptly sets to work to rectify the newly discovered fault and naturally charges for his work. Does he act wisely is

his work. Does he act wisely to As a matter of mere law it would certainly be difficult for him to recover his toharges for work that he had never been told to do; on the other hand, if he had left this obviously necessary job undone he would lay himself open to a more serious moral charge of negligence. The proper course is surely that he should communicate with the owner of the car, report municate with the owner of the car, report his discovery, and await further instructions. But this proper course would generally involve delay and very few cars are handed over to the repairer without being accompanied by explicit instructions that they are to be put right with all possible speed. On the other hand, the owner has bargained only for the cost of a broken spring repair and has not expected to be let in for a much bigger bill. It is a rather nice point,

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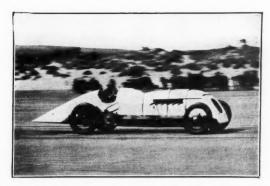
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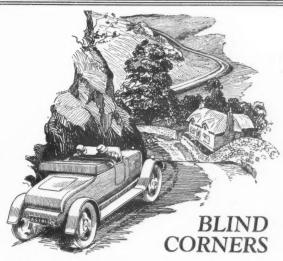
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An acquaintance recently took his Morris car to the agents who had supplied it to him for decarbonising and valve grinding, a job which, according to the

schedule, should cost exactly 30s. He was, perhaps naturally, rather surprised when a bill reached him for £2 19s. 6d., but appreciated that certain items on this bill were for articles supplied and charged at correct prices. What he did not appreciate were three items quite outside the sphere of his instructions. One side the sphere of his instructions. One was dismantling and refitting carburettor, another for a new sparking plug, and the third for dismantling, cleaning and refitting magneto. His dissatisfaction at these items was not decreased by the facts that the tool box of his car contained several new sparking plugs and that the magneto work had to be done all over again less than a week after the car had been returned to him.

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A request for some explanation brought forth the following—"In no circumstances whatsoever do we invoice up any work which has not been carried out by us.

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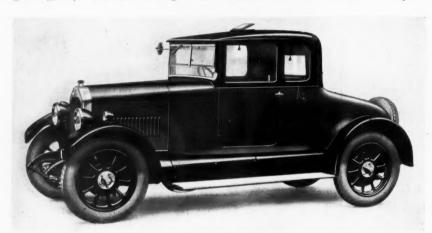
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## MORE NATURAL FOOD FOR **PHEASANTS**

HE diet of a pheasant in a wild state is so varied that it includes small reptiles, all kinds of insects, earthworms, melluses and other small creatures, while its vegetable menu consists of all kinds of weeds and their seeds, together with the roots of many noxious plants: consequently the bird is very beneficial to agriculture and must be looked upon as a friend of the farmer. friend of the farmer.

As the following deals with the natural

food of this bird in a wild state, it may be of some interest to allude to certain items of its diet in relation to its value to general

agriculture.

The pheasant is a great destroyer of insects throughout the year, and much of its time in the winter months is spent searching for larvæ hidden under the soil, ris time in the winter months is spent searching for larvæ hidden under the soil, especially those of the crane fly, commonly known as daddy-long-legs, the Bibionidæ flies, and other root feeders which it finds in great abundance by scrapping up the soil round the roots of plants upon which the larvæ feed. As instances of the enormous number which these birds are capable of finding and devouring at a single meal may be mentioned the following. In the crop of a cock shot in December were 1,083 leather jackets (crane fly larvæ); in a hen also shot in December were 915 Bibionidæ larvæ, and in the crop of another shot in January were 626. A cock shot in January had consumed at one meal 432 wire worms (larvæ of the click beetle), one of the most destructive of farm pests, and in another cock, also shot

farm pests, and in another cock, also shot in January, were 640 wire worms.

Some idea may be formed from this of the prodigious numbers of noxious of the prodigious numbers of noxious insects which are cleared from agricultural land by the pheasant, and during the depth of winter when insect life is comparatively scarce. The number of other insects which these birds destroy during the whole year round, especially when they have young, is altogether beyond all reckoning. It is, therefore, obvious that over-stocking any preserve is injurious to the health of the birds, as the supply of insect food would soon run short; and without sufficient insectivorous feeding

without sufficient insectivorous feeding they cannot thrive satisfactorily.

Besides the innumerable larvæ the birds feed upon during the winter months, birds feed upon during the winter months, nature has provided them with a further abundant store of winter food, greatly relished by them, viz., the small galls on oak leaves, commonly known as oak spangles. Just before the leaves fall in autumn the spangles become detached from the leaves and fall to the ground in immense numbers and are eagerly sought. immense numbers and are eagerly sought after by the birds, which find them by scrapping over the dead leaves. Each spangle encloses a minute insect which, of course, is swallowed with the spangle, consequently the pheasant obtains both an insectivorous and vegetable diet at the same time.

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A simple means of providing penned pheasants with a supply of good natural food is by hanging up the bodies of small animals and birds until they are well "fly-blown," and then burying them under loose friable soil. When the gentles are fully grown they work their way through the soil, which helps to cleanse them they are then easily found by the birds when scrapping over the soil and greedily. when scrapping over the soil, and greedily devoured, forming excellent food for the young birds. Also the dead bodies of vermin hung up on the branches of trees in the preserves provide an abundance of gentles, which may be caught as they drop from the carcass by placing pans or boxes underneath. The gentles should then be put into pans of damp sand and fine earth mixed, for several days, so that they may become cleansed before giving them

to the young chicks, otherwise the putrid flesh upon which they have fed may cause purging to the young birds. A few gentles for each bird is sufficient for a meal. Gentles fresh from a putrid animal have been known to be fatal to young pheasants, therefore it is necessary for them to be cleansed before they are given to them. Penned birds should be supplied daily with freshly dug turf with plenty of soil, each clod about a foot square. Always select light soil so that the birds can scratch it to pieces freely in search of the numerous insects it contains. Turf given to them in this way provides the birds with both natural food and exercise; also the fresh, tender grass, clover and other varied growths forming the turf is excellent green food for them.

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It may not be generally known that the pheasant at times varies its menu with such items as field mice, voles and reptiles, including adders, slow worms and lizards. As many as eight voung adders, each about 7ins. long, have been taken from the crop of a young bird. Earthworms form quite a large proportion of its diet, also small snails of various species are commonly eaten.

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The vegetable food of the pheasant comprises all kinds of grain, clover, grasses, a great variety of weeds, seeds, roots and wild fruits of many kinds including blackberries, wild strawberries, elderberries, haws and various other small berries. Cultivated for its with the best of the common o haws and various other small berries. Cultivated fruits, when obtainable, are greatly relished, especially apples, pears, cherries and plums, and, above all, raisins, which will attract these birds from long distances. Peas and particularly beans are most attractive. Acorns and beech mast are largely consumed and hazel nuts are frequently eaten.

The great quantity of noxious weeds and their seeds, as well as the roots of many, such as those of the buttercup and allied species, and the silver weed, upon which the pheasant feeds, make abundantly valuable are its services to the clear how

clear how valuable are its services to the farmer in keeping down many of his most troublesome weeds.

A great deal has been said from time to time both for and against supplying A great deal has been said from time to time both for and against supplying pheasants with water. Some people maintain that they do not require any, while others believe in a plentiful supply. There cannot be any doubt as to the beneficial results of providing a supply of good, fresh water for them as these birds like. fresh water for them, as these birds, like other species in a wild state, daily obtain water, and the pheasant leads her chicks to some rill or pool for the purpose of supplying them with drink. Therefore to attempt to rear pheasants without a proper supply of water is acting in opposition to nature. And, further, it is an act of cruelty. F. W. FROHAWK.

#### THE WILD CAT ON SCOTTISH SHOOTS.

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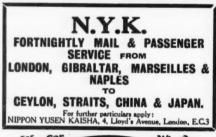


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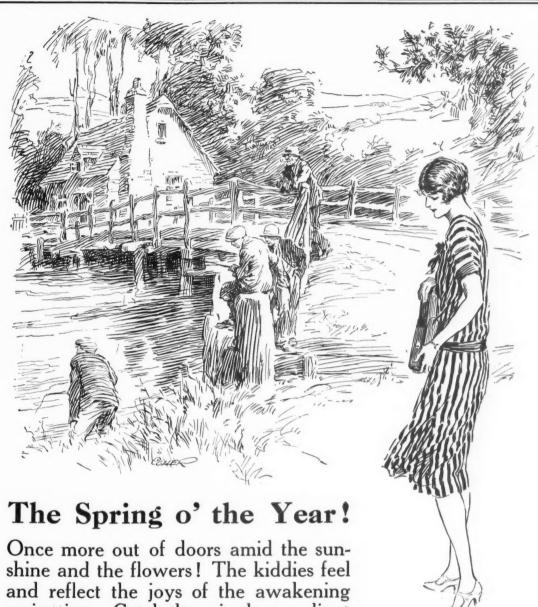








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Highlands. Another specimen, 3ft. in length, was trapped at Tarbet, Loch Lomond, last March, where it had been driven southward by heavy snowstorms. Highlands.

Rearing its young for many years in the fastnesses that extend from the western shores of Loch Linnhe, across country to Strontian and Ardnamurchan, country to Strontian and Ardnamurchan, the taking there of examples is not an uncommon occurrence. A beautifully marked wild cat measuring 40ins. from muzzle to tip of tail, which had at short intervals killed fourteen fully grown domestic fowls, was trapped in the last-named locality in March, 1925: while at Ardslignish Hill, Kilchoan, last November, an attractively striped specimen that had been disturbed when feeding on a trapped rabbit was pursued by dogs and ultimately despatched. despatched.

Indigenous there, as it is to other parts of Scotland, it finds refuge in retreats in many of the extensive unpeopled deer grounds in Inverness-shire on each side of the Caledonian Canal from the Atlantic Ocean to Glen Feshie Forest in the east. Ocean to Glen Feshie Forest in the east. A headkeeper in Glenmoriston writes that wild cats are numerous in that district. Increasing in number in the Cluny country, four were captured by trappers there in the winter of 1925, and one in the previous season. On neighbouring lands several were caught in the former year also. The cat secured at Cluny in 1924 taped 3ft. 3ins. in length and weighed 14lb. A second, measuring 3ft. from nose to tip of tail and scaling 10lb., was found in a snare set for rabbits on Eile Farm, Carr Bridge, in 1925; and last autumn, a trapper operating for rabbits on Ben Chlianaig, Monessie, found in a trap a partially eaten rabbit. He baited a trap or two, and a magnificently furred cat, 3ft. 2ins. in length, was caught and duly set up by a taxidermist.

The wooded glens and riven rocks of

The wooded glens and riven rocks of many parts of Ross-shire afford these rapacious animals strongholds from which they make nocturnal raids on poultry or rabbits. At Kinlochewe, where they are or rabbits. At Kinlochewe, where they are fewer than they were fifteen years ago, a large specimen was trapped by my informant, a keeper, in his neighbour's hen-roost in the winter of 1925. Not yet extinct in the region of Ullapool in the west, in the north of the shire, they are approximating to the large number that roamed there fifty years ago. Two were bagged in the Forest of Amat in 1925, the larger of them 3ft. 3ins. long, hand-somely coated, with a short tail and black tip, and exhibiting all the physical characteristics of the wild cat of fifty years back. A female of 2ft. 11ins., in rich fur, believed to have migrated from higher altitudes, was slain on the hillside within one mile of the slain on the hillside within one mile of the road through Strathkyle to Strathoykel in February, 1925. Anterior to the war the species was rare at Ardross, in eastern Ross; but since then a few have been

Ross; but since then a new nave been killed on the estate.

In Sutherlandshire, many spots which once knew the wild cat know it no more, it converges in the county is rather and its occurrence in the county is rather rare. One was shot in the Forest of Assynt in March, 1925.

Though occurring occasionally on the march between Sutherlandshire and Caith-

march between Sutherlandshire and Caithness, it can scarcely be claimed as now belonging to the fauna of the latter county, nor is it traceable in Aberdeen, Moray or Forfarshire.

A keeper killed another one on a shooting about ten miles below Tomintoul, Banffshire, a few years since. It was certified later by an Inverness taxidermist to possess the true lineaments of the wild cat.

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In conclusion, it may be stated that the length of the specimens above alluded the length of the specimens above alfuded to, where given, exceeds the measurements of the wild cat set forth in Bell's "History of British Quadrupeds," namely: length of head and body, 1ft. 10ins.; of the tail, 11ins. 2 lines; total, 2ft. 9ins. 2 lines.

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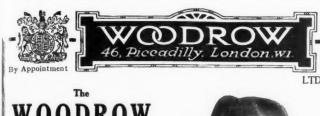
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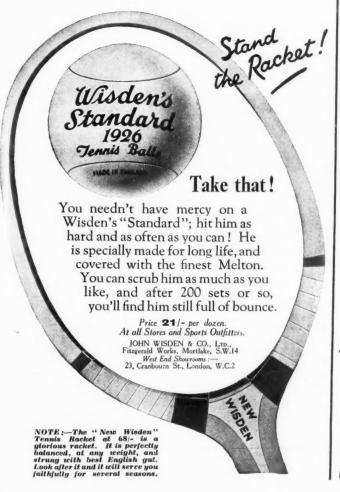
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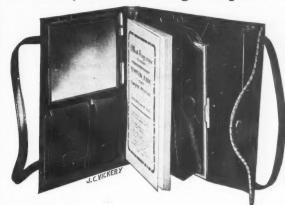
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HIS is the time of year when the garden can be improved hts is the time of year when the garden can be improved by the addition of some easily grown or attractive subject to beds or borders, the main details of which have previously been planned and planted. It may be that a bed of roses looks incomplete because of the omission of an edging plant, or there may be ugly gaps in borders that ought to be filled before the pageant of summer is here. This little article is intended merely to offer a few suggestions how the popular Allwoodii—easily grown and not exacting—may be used for different purposes.

the popular Allwoodii—easily grown and not exacting—may be used for different purposes.

I have a warm corner in my heart for this accommodating member of the great dianthus family, and there is something very sweet and simple in its many charms. First there is pronounced perfume—the old-fashioned pink fragrance—one of the most delightful scents of the garden. Violets, lilies of the valley, lavender, lilac, and roses all appeal to us from the point of view of fragrance, but the perfume of the pink is equal to any of them. The simplicity of the flower lies in its dainty form—two or three rows of petals and sometimes a neat central zone of distinct colour, often called the "eye." Take a bunch of any of the modern varieties of our garden pink. A sweeter posy than this (and the term "sweet" is used in its fullest sense) could not be desired. It is in the bunch when gathered, or in the mass when growing, that Allwoodii should be admired. One does not single out a bluebell spike from the woodland drift of blue or a single specimen of the buttercup from a field of gold when admiring these flowers. The effect is in the mass. It is the same with Allwoodii.

#### ROSES AND PINKS.

There is no more pleasant association than Allwood pinks and

roses. It is easy to imagine a few effective imagine a few effective combinations. Suppose you have a bed of red roses — General McArthur, Richmond, Etoile de Hollande or Red Letter Day. It is quite a simple plan to border it now with a white variety of the a white variety of the Allwood pinks, either Harold or Alfred. If a pure white is not desired, Eleanor, white with a crimson purple centre; or Betty, white with a red maroon centre, would be almost as good. Yellow roses of any shade would look extremely pretty if edged with Allwoodii, Susan, pale lilac with a deep black "eye"; or any of the pink or salmon selfs, such as Sybil, Lottie or Bryan. The rich crimson purple Allwoodii Hugh, would make a good foil to a bed of light-coloured roses, white, cream or pale yellow.

#### DRIFTS OF WOODII AS EDGINGS.

There are many ces in the garden places in the garden where edgings are either neglected or sown with unsuitable subjects. Sometimes it is an easily grown annual that has a limited period of bloom and dies down before the summer is half over, leaving a blank for the rest of the season, or it may be a perennial that is not in keeping with the general surroundings. The free-flowering characteristics of Allwoodii render them suitable for clothing border edges, or

flanking the sides of paths with fragrant flowers during summer and autumn, while in winter their beautiful foliage or "grass" is a bright bit of colour in the dark days.

When used as edgings it is better to employ a strong growing, yet tufty habited sort. For the best effect use one kind and not a mixture. Arthur, red maroon with a dark eye, is very compact in habit, and if a dark variety is desired this is one of the best. Alfred would make a fine white for this purpose. Jean, white with a deep violet centre, is very easily grown and gives fine trusses of bloom, and the newer Roger, deep salmon, edged and rayed with maroon, has strong growth and a short, compact habit. Sometimes an edging or long narrow bed of these varieties can be planted alongside an old wall, and a few plants can be can be planted alongside an old wall, and a few plants can be inserted in the crevices where they will soon become established and droop down to meet their lower neighbours.

#### IN THE ROCKERY.

Those whose garden space is somewhat limited—often comprising a small rockery in a town or suburban garden—can find corners for the Allwood pinks. In a limited area, where comprising a small rockery in a town or suburban garden—can find corners for the Allwood pinks. In a limited area, where variety is desired in preference to bold effects of separate colours, a little collection of favourite kinds can be grown among the rockwork. Vera, pale blush pink, of semi-double form, makes a good subject for rock gardens, and if the less expensive kinds are required a selection can be made from Joan, salmon-pink with a maroon centre; Phyllis, lilac; or Mary, pale rose-pink with a light maroon centre. a light maroon centre.

#### THE NEWER VARIETIES.

In spaces where herbaceous subjects form a background, the newer and better kinds can be grown, providing that they

have sufficient room for development and a maximum of sunshine. These will provide plenty of cut bloom for the home, and here it is, perhaps, necessary to remind readers that an essenremind readers that an essen-tial point in cutting the flowers is the fact that they should be taken with long stems, so that the plant pre-serves a well dressed appearance, besides allowing the cut blooms to be easily arranged in vases or bowls to the best advantage. Phoebe is a rich salmon red of good form and refinegood form and refinement in petal. Nora reminds one of the laced pinks and has pretty blush lilac flowers laced with light maroon. Ann is a bold double flower with smooth edged. with smooth edged petals, and the colour is white with a maroon eye. Jane is another smooth edged flower with pale mauve pink blooms with a maroon eye. Joyce is an older variety, but this pretty salmon pink with a brownish centre is an excellent flower for cutting and it is a very good grower with a graceful habit.

#### ALLWOODII AS POT PLANTS.

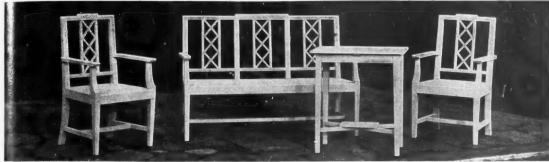
PLANTS.

The possibilities of Allwoodii have by no means been exhausted as yet. As pot plants they can be grown from now onwards in the conservatory potting on into vatory, potting on into larger pots as they increase in growth, but if desired they can be lifted from the open



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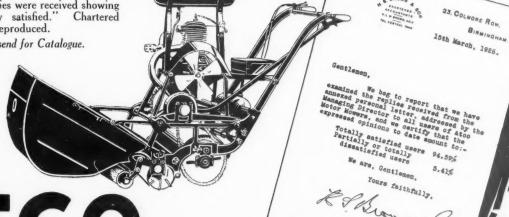


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WALLFLOWERS FOR NEXT SPRING.

IT may seem out of place to be writing about a flower whose beauty has only recently departed from the majority of gardens, but if closer consideration be given to the matter it will be realised that there

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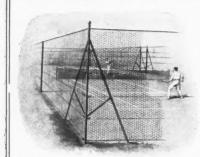
This is the time to sow seeds, and it is always well to buy one's seeds when the beauty and name of a special variety is fresh in one's memory. This year wallflowers in general have not been a success up and down the country. In all probability it has been due to the hard winter and to the fact that we suffered rather a severe spell of wintry conditions not long after the plants were transplanted, and consequently they did not readily become established and all grew on to wood. This fragrant spring flower is well worth taking pains over, as it is one of the finest of our early flowers. Not only is it valued for itself alone with its colour and fragrance, but also for the sake of its old-fashioned associations. Therefore give it every care and sow during the next four weeks so that you will have fine, sturdy and healthy plants to put out in their flowering positions in September, and thus allow them to become firmly entrenched before the approach of winter. They are best sown in drills about nine inches apart in good friable loam. Once the seedlings are up, thin out carefully to about three inches apart and transplant the thinnings. Nothing need be wasted. This operation can be repeated and the plants left at 6ins. As the seedlings are growing on all through the hot, dry summer (if we have one) it is well to assist them by watering regularly.

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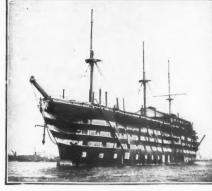
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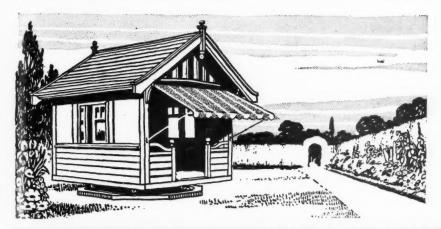
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dress-Dept. C.L., RURAL INDUSTRIES, Ltd., CHELTENHAM - 169, REGENT STREET, LONDON, W. 1. Our wallflowers of to-day are lordly children compared to those of a few years back. They are to be obtained in much brighter and deeper colours, of more bushy and compact growth, and of greater vigour and constitution. The variety in colours alone stands as a revelation as to what can be obtained in plant breeding over a series of years. And, moreover, their colours are fixed; they come practically true from seed. Among the leading varieties are two remarkably fine sorts, Wallflower Fire King and Orange Bedder, whose respective colours are denoted by their names. The former dates back to 1901, while the latter is a new variety offered for the first time this year. These are both excellent bedding plants, and when massed together for colour effect they form one of the brightest patches in the spring bedding scheme. Fire King gains much in appearance if myosotis be grown as an edging or as a groundwork to the bed, while it also looks well when grown against a wall, when its vivid scarlet orange flowers show up well against the foliage. Orange Bedder supplies a new colour in wallflowers, opening out a rich orange and shading off to a delicate apricot yellow. These two varieties go well together, and can be used with great effect in a bedding scheme. There are many other popular varieties of rich tone, and of them mention need only be made of the well known bright yellow Cloth of Gold and its dwarf strain so useful for putting in small beds. Giant Vulcan, which carries stately spires of the most brilliant crimson flowers, and Blood Red. One variety raised by Messrs. Suttons and called Ivory White is quite a distinct sort. It is not so pure in colour as its name would imply, but it is the closest approach to white which can be seen anywhere. Unfortunately, it is not a strong grower and requires to be carefully handled in its young stages. Then for those who like colour in their gardens during the winter—and who does not?—there is the early-flowering strain, which is quite distinct, although only a breakaway from th

#### WHITE IN THE GARDEN.

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WHITE is a colour, if it can be called such, that is often misused in the garden. Probably the reason is that it is colourless, and not only colourless, but it draws colour away from pale tints that may be in close proximity to it. Unfortunately, white is the favourite colour for house decoration, which explains the often excessive use of it in the garden. It is a good plan, if one is fond of white in the house, to grow the majority of white flowers for cutting in a separate corner of the garden. The difficulty about white is that all the hundred and one tones may show their variations when seen in the shade, but once these are brought into full sun all whites look alike.

White must have a background, and it is herein that the difficulty lies, for only a few backgrounds are suitable. For instance, in the case of shrubs: take Spiræa arguta multiflora, most prolific in flower and a fine white, if carefully planted with due regard to background. The writer has seen a clump of these fine bushes entirely ruined by a background of young silver firs. They were in full sun, and the contrast between the blue-black of the conifers and the dead white of the spiræa was far too severe. The white was left entirely colourless in the glare of the sun. Unfortunately, in this case there was no gradation of contrast, for the leaves of the spiræa, at the time of flowering, are entirely unnoticed. If white-flowered shrubs are to be planted against a dark background, it is better that they should be plants that flower within the confines of their leafage, that is, that their leaves are clearly seen as part of the beauty of the shrub, and, if possible, that the leaves should be of a light tone of green or grey, so making a definite gradation of tones. Two shrubs that are suited to a dark background, such as yew, are Olearia Haastii and Plagianthus Lyallii. In the case of the former, this is almost a necessity, since the foliage is so light and shimmery in tone that a contrasting background improves its appearan

Readers should keep in mind that the Amateur Show of the Royal Horticultural Society is being held as usual at Vincent Square on June 22nd. It was such a success last year that all amateurs should again show that they can hold their own in the cultivation of plants. Anybody who considers that he has anything out of the common, either in the way of cultivation or of rarity, should lose no time in writing to the Secretary of the R.H.S. for a schedule of the classes. Entries close after the first post on Tuesday morning, June 15th.

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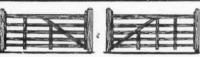
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HE fact that so many wool materials wash in these days has not affected in the least affected in the least the Parisian's penchant for dresses made of novel cottons, linens, voiles and washing silks. In this regard she is singularly traditional, possibly influenced to some extent by climatic conditions.

Here, in England there

by climatic conditions.

Here, in England, there are places up north where thin summer frocks seldom have a look in and are, therefore, not regarded seriously, a deprivation that many feel quite acutely.

In the south, where the atmosphere is softer and kinder there are more opportunities

atmosphere is softer and kinder there are more opportunities for wearing such confections as our Paris correspondent has described for us this week, illustrating her notes with a number of original and recherché models.

In the very earliest spring days it was predicted that it

days it was predicted that it would probably be a white summer. And so it is proving, though not quite to the extent though not quite to the extent surmised, since white materials, like linen tissu éponge and novelty canvas stuffs, are being lavishly embroidered in colours. Eponge lends itself to a particularly effective Russian cross stitch in coloured cottons. cottons. Some of the broderies introduced on white linen have the appearance at a short distance of being printed, so closely are they massed. There is also a heavy washing silk



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Neither time nor trouble are spared with these, and there are so-called "tub frocks" that, so far as cost and extravagance go, are comparable in every way with far more ambitious efforts destined for the grand occasions. The intricate and punctiliously executed handwork involved in a number of such frocks far surpasses any thing ever before essayed.

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and cretonnes all figure.
Shantung is a particular favourite, as it is a fabric that does not crush or require ironing; and, when linen is requisitioned, that is always of the uncrushable quality, and never artificially stiffened. This, together with voile and crêpe together with voile and crêpe de Chine, lends itself to an elaborate treatment of drawnthread work, arranged to impart telling line and form to quite simply fashioned little frocks.

frocks.

Pleats, gatherings and volants, employed with discretion, are likewise in evidence, noticeably attractive results being obtained by the use of two tones, contrasting colours, or two different materials. Stripes, too, are handled in



An original frock in yellow tissu éponge with darker cotton braid, a washing silk in two shades of blue, plaid zephyr de coton amusingly allied with plain, and a bolero dress of beige shantung and beige cretonne sprinkled with pink roses.





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divers ingenious ways, to bring about variety, stripes and plaids being allied with plain colours.

#### TO BE AVOIDED.

Shaped frocks and flares are to be avoided, as these so easily and inevitably lose their form in washing; whereas flat pleats, single or box pleats, gathered

flat pleats, single or box pleats, gathered frills and loose panels all submit amiably to laundering tactics.

Sleeve: may be long or short, full at the base or close-fitting. Self-coloured collars and cuffs look well thrown up in relief against patterned fabrics and knotted cravats and Quartier Latin bows add finishing touches of attractive value.

Smocking provides another pleasing decoration, one that is preferable to gaugings, as it is more irrepressible and not so easily ironed down. In fact, it is almost impossible to suppress smocking, the fine hand stitchery of which is inthe fine hand stitchery of which is invulnerable.

Organdie is well adapted to period Organdie is well adapted to period frocks, and in that guise is often to be seen trimmed with a strong washable white net. At the same time, this muslin is not entirely relegated to the picture type of frock, many seductive models of figured organdie conforming to the decree of the abbreviated full either and either little. of the abbreviated full skirt and slim little bodice. One of the prettiest adjustments for these takes the form of an apron front tied on by a ribbon girdle that resolves either into sash ends at the back or floating streamers at one side.

#### SCALLOPED VOLANTS.

Passing on to the sketches, that which appears on this page shows a pale green crêpe de Chine, one of the new absinthe or Chartreuse tones. This is a frock that is at once carried out of the realms of the ordinary by three scalloped volants on the skirt, a similar frill finishing the blouse bodice, which is mounted on to a deep square voke. Shaped and only very simple and practical, this model has



unquestionable chic, and is at once hall-

narked as of the moment.

Carried throughout in zephyr decoton is the long jumper and plaid skirt, shown on the first page. This scheme is visioned in pink, the plaid incroducing that nuance with black and a faint line of mauve on a white ground. To provide easy movement, the skirt is just slightly gathered, the jumper of exceeding length—a detail to be specially noted—having revers and Quartier Latin cravat of the plaid, and turn-back cuffs. This is veritably an instance of just the little more that means so much and which denotes the eye and hand of the artist.

#### AN ALTERNATIVE CHOICE.

Designed for service also is the jumper suit of blue silk cloth, the skirt of a self shade having the front only boxpleated and stitched down to half its depth. The slim short jumper is completed by a plain blue collar and knotted cravat. The success of this simple suit rests, as will be readily understood, on the quality of the material. Viewed, moreover, from the tub point angle, it has everything to commend it.

#### THE BOLERO'S CHARMS.

The obsession that obtains for shan-The obsession that obtains for shanting, as previously mentioned, has provided dress designers with considerable scope, and they are, consequently, according it much consideration and every conceivable expression, selecting little frocks for the figured varieties and quasi-tailored models for self colours. In addition to ordinary coats and skirts and two-pieces, both endlessly useful, there are being shown such original ventures as the example pictured. original ventures as the example pictured. This, with its little bolero, is of beige shantung, allied with beige cretonne figured with shaded pink roses. It is a model replete with line, yet of a demure distinctive simplicity that places it well within the category of recherché tub frocks.





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